To the Members of the General Assembly

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Article II, Section 17(c), of the Maryland Constitution states:

Section 17.

(c) Any Bill presented to the Governor within six days (Sundays excepted), prior to adjournment of any session of the General Assembly, or after such adjournment, shall become law without the Governor's signature unless it is vetoed by the Governor within 30 days after presentment.

Having chosen not to sign the following bills after formal presentment and to let the provisions of Article II, Section 17(c) determine the effectiveness of the legislation, the bills will become law without the Governor's signature as of midnight, May 30, 2021, and are assigned the following chapter numbers:

#### SB 836 Senators Beidle and Elfreth

Chapter 361

STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS DISCIPLINARY PROCESS AND ACTIONS REPORT

Requiring the State Board of Dental Examiners to study and make recommendations on certain matters; and requiring the Board to report to the Governor and the General Assembly by November 1, 2021, its findings and recommendations regarding necessary revisions to the disciplinary process and actions of the State Board of Dental Examiners to improve the process of disciplining dentists in the State.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

## HB 101 Delegate Charkoudian

Chapter 362

HUMAN SERVICES – SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – HEAT AND EAT PROGRAM AND STUDY ON MARYLAND ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY

Establishing the Heat and Eat Program within the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program in the Department of Human Services for the purpose of expanding food access to households that are receiving or eligible for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits; requiring the Department to study the feasibility of establishing automatic eligibility and approval for participation in the Maryland Energy Assistance Program for households receiving or eligible to receive certain benefits under State and federal law; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## SB 913 Senator McCray, et al

Chapter 363

HUMAN SERVICES – SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – HEAT AND EAT PROGRAM AND STUDY ON MARYLAND ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY

Establishing the Heat and Eat Program within the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program in the Department of Human Services for the purpose of expanding food access to households that are receiving or are eligible for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits; requiring the Department to study the feasibility of establishing automatic eligibility and approval for participation in the Maryland Energy Assistance Program for households receiving or eligible to receive certain benefits under State and federal law; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

# HB 126 Delegate Moon

Chapter 364

PUBLIC SAFETY – PRETRIAL SERVICES PROGRAM GRANT FUND – EXTENSION AND PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Prohibiting a pretrial services program that receives a certain grant from charging a fee to a defendant for participation in the program; and extending the termination date of the Pretrial Services Program Grant Fund to June 30, 2028.

HB 89

## **Delegate Wilkins**

Chapter 365

CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – DIMINUTION CREDITS – EDUCATION

Awarding a diminution credit of 60 days per program completed to reduce the term of confinement of an inmate if the inmate successfully obtains a certain educational certificate, diploma, or degree; providing that an inmate serving a sentence for a certain violent crime can be allowed a deduction of 40 days; prohibiting certain inmates sentenced for certain violent crimes from receiving a diminution of a sentence; providing for the prospective application of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### SB 752

## **Senator Hayes**

Chapter 366

BALTIMORE CITY – POLICE OFFICERS – PROMOTIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Altering the procedures used by the Police Commissioner of Baltimore City to award promotional appointments; and authorizing the Commissioner to remove certain applicants from the list of eligible appointees if the Civilian Review Board or the Baltimore City Police Department's Disciplinary Review Committee has sustained a certain misconduct complaint against the applicant between the time the applicant applied for the promotion and the time in which the applicant is to be selected for the promotion.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### HB 571

### **Montgomery County Delegation**

Chapter 367

MONTGOMERY COUNTY – DISABLED ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE MEMBERS, DISABLED VETERANS, AND SURVIVING SPOUSES – PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT MC 20–21

Authorizing the governing body of Montgomery County to authorize, by law, for taxable years beginning on or after July 1, 2018, and under certain circumstances, an abatement of any overdue property tax on dwelling houses owned by disabled active duty service members, disabled veterans, or surviving spouses who qualify for a certain property tax exemption; making the Act an emergency measure; etc. EMERGENCY BILL

#### HB 322

### **Delegates Hill and Feldmark**

Chapter 368

REAL PROPERTY – RESTRICTIONS ON USE – LOW–IMPACT LANDSCAPING

Prohibiting a certain restriction on use from imposing unreasonable limitations on low-impact landscaping such as rain gardens, pollinator gardens, and xeriscaping; requiring the property owner to regularly maintain landscaping; providing that "unreasonable limitations" includes items that increase the cost and efficiency of the low-impact program; providing that the Act may not be construed to prohibit a certain restriction on use from including certain reasonable guidelines; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### HB 231

### **Delegate Palakovich Carr**

Chapter 369

CRIMES – MITIGATION AND DEFENSE – RACE, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN, SEX, GENDER IDENTITY, OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION

Establishing that the discovery or perception of, or belief about, another person's race, color, national origin, sex, gender identity, or sexual orientation, whether or not accurate, does not constitute legally adequate provocation to mitigate a killing from the crime of murder to manslaughter nor is it a defense to the crime of assault in any degree.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### HB 445

#### **Delegate Dumais**

Chapter 370

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – CHARGING PROCEDURES – CITATIONS

Altering the circumstances under which a police officer is required to charge by citation for certain misdemeanor or local ordinance violations that do not involve serious injury or an immediate health risk; altering the categories of offenses for which a police officer is authorized to charge by citation; altering the circumstances under which a police officer may charge a defendant by citation; adding a citation for an incarcerable crime as a document that may accompany a certain application for requisition; etc.

## SB 671 Senator Waldstreicher

Chapter 371

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – CHARGING PROCEDURES – CITATIONS

Altering the circumstances under which a police officer is required to charge by citation for certain misdemeanor or local ordinance violations that do not involve serious injury or an immediate health risk; altering the categories of offenses for which a police officer is authorized to charge by citation; altering the circumstances under which a police officer may charge a defendant by citation; adding a citation for an incarcerable crime as a document that may accompany a certain application for requisition; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## HB 449 Delegate Bartlett

Chapter 372

FAMILY LAW - MARRIAGE - LICENSES AND RECORDS

Altering certain designations on a marriage license and certificate; and authorizing the clerk of the circuit court to maintain a certain electronic record as an alternative to the requirement that the clerk keep a certain marriage license book.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### SB 488 Senator Beidle

Chapter 373

FAMILY LAW – MARRIAGE – LICENSES AND RECORDS

Altering certain designations on a marriage license and certificate; and authorizing the clerk of the circuit court to maintain a certain electronic record as an alternative to the requirement that the clerk keep a certain marriage license book.

#### HB 1072

## **Charles County Delegation**

Chapter 374

CHARLES COUNTY – COMMUNITY SERVICE AND PRETRIAL RELEASE PROGRAMS – AUTHORIZATION

Authorizing the Charles County Board of County Commissioners to establish a community service program and a pretrial release program in Charles County; providing that a court may order a person to participate in the community service program; providing for a fee of up to \$40 for each 8—hour period of community service; providing for the court to order a person to participate in a pretrial release program; requiring staff of the pretrial release program to report any violations of a person's pretrial release immediately; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### SB 750

## **Charles County Senators**

Chapter 375

CHARLES COUNTY – COMMUNITY SERVICE AND PRETRIAL RELEASE PROGRAMS – AUTHORIZATION

Authorizing the Charles County Board of County Commissioners to establish a community service program and a pretrial release program in Charles County; providing that a court may order a person to participate in the community service program; providing for a fee of up to \$40 for each 8—hour period of community service; providing for the court to order a person to participate in a pretrial release program; requiring staff of the pretrial release program to report any violations of a person's pretrial release immediately; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### HB 882

### **Delegate Barron**

Chapter 376

#### WORKGROUP TO STUDY PARTIAL EXPUNGEMENT

Altering the name of the Partial Expungement Workgroup to be the Workgroup to Study Partial Expungement; requiring the Workgroup to study and develop a plan and legislative recommendations for enabling the expungement of criminal charges that are currently not eligible for expungement because of the requirements of § 10–107 of the Criminal Procedure Article; requiring the Workgroup to submit a report on its recommendations to the General Assembly on or before January 5, 2022; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

#### SB 874 Senator Jackson

Chapter 377

WORKGROUP TO STUDY PARTIAL EXPUNGEMENT

Altering the name of the Partial Expungement Workgroup to be the Workgroup to Study Partial Expungement; altering the composition of the Workgroup; requiring the Workgroup to study and develop a plan and legislative recommendations for enabling the expungement of criminal charges that are currently not eligible for expungement because of the requirements of § 10–107 of the Criminal Procedure Article; requiring the Workgroup to submit a report to the General Assembly on or before January 5, 2022; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

# HB 989

### **Delegate Krebs**

Chapter 378

PUBLIC SAFETY – 9–1–1 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM – ALTERATIONS

Requiring that certain providers of a 9-1-1-accessible service provide certain notice to a certain public safety answering point, the Maryland Joint Operations Center, and the Maryland 9-1-1 Board in the event of a 9-1-1-accessible service outage lasting more than 30 minutes and affecting more than 600,000 user minutes; requiring the Commission to Advance Next Generation 9-1-1 Across Maryland to report to the General Assembly certain demographic, employment, and training information regarding 9-1-1 specialists by December 31, 2021; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

#### SB 714

### Senator Kagan, et al

Chapter 379

PUBLIC SAFETY – 9–1–1 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM – ALTERATIONS

Requiring that certain providers of a 9-1-1-accessible service provide notice to certain entities in the event of a certain service outage lasting more than 30 minutes and affecting more than 600,000 user minutes; altering responsibilities and standards of the Maryland 9-1-1 Board to include support for certain 9-1-1 specialist recruitment activities; altering the purposes of the 9-1-1 Trust Fund to include funding for 9-1-1 specialist recruitment activities; prohibiting the Fund from being used for a certain purpose; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

## HB 945 Delegate Carey

Chapter 380

HUMAN SERVICES – CRITICAL MEDICAL NEEDS PROGRAM – APPLICATION FOR ASSISTANCE

Requiring the Office of Home Energy Programs to allow 90 days after applying for assistance for an individual to provide certain medical certification when a critical medically vulnerable individual applies for assistance from the Critical Medical Needs Program if the applicant is at least 60 years old and assisted by a navigator. EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

### SB 907 Senator Benson

Chapter 381

 $\begin{array}{l} {\rm HUMAN~SERVICES-CRITICAL~MEDICAL~NEEDS~PROGRAM-APPLICATION~FOR~ASSISTANCE} \end{array}$ 

Requiring the Office of Home Energy Programs to allow 90 days after applying for assistance for an individual to provide certain medical certification when a critical medically vulnerable individual applies for assistance from the Critical Medical Needs Program if the applicant is at least 60 years old and assisted by a navigator. EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

## HB 852 Delegate Kaiser

Chapter 382

PROPERTY TAX – TAX SALES – HOMEOWNER PROTECTION PROGRAM

Establishing the Homeowner Protection Program in the Department of Assessments and Taxation for the purpose of diverting vulnerable homeowners from the private tax lien sale process into an alternative program with the intent of minimizing tax collection costs to owners, assisting owners to pay their taxes, and allowing owners to remain in their homes; establishing the Homeowner Protection Fund consisting of tax and interest payments made by homeowners and a \$750,000 appropriation to the Fund in Fiscal years 2023 to 2025; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

## HB 384 Delegate Sample-Hughes

Chapter 383

REAL PROPERTY – SALE OF MOBILE HOME PARKS – NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

Altering the time frame of certain notices that a mobile home park owner is required to provide to each resident in the mobile home park and the Department of Housing and Community Development and to post in a public area of the mobile home park, concerning the sale of the mobile home park, to be not less than 30 days before the date of the sale of the park.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## SB 474 Senator Eckardt

Chapter 384

REAL PROPERTY – SALE OF MOBILE HOME PARKS – NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

Altering the time frame of certain notices that a mobile home park owner is required to provide to each resident in the mobile home park and the Department of Housing and Community Development and to post in a public area of the mobile home park, concerning the sale of the mobile home park, to be not less than 30 days before the date of the sale of the park.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## HB 128 Delegate Stewart

Chapter 385

CRIMINAL LAW – HATE CRIMES – PROTECTED GROUPS AND PENALTIES

Altering the term "sexual orientation" in the context of hate crimes; including gender identity in the list of characteristics protected by the prohibition on hate crimes; authorizing a court to require an offender convicted of hate crimes to complete an antibias education program; requiring the University System of Maryland to manage the development of an antibias education program that provides antibias education relevant to certain provisions of Maryland law by January 1, 2023; etc.

### SB 220 Senator Hettleman

Chapter 386

CRIMINAL LAW – HATE CRIMES – PROTECTED GROUPS AND PENALTIES

Altering the term "sexual orientation" in the context of hate crimes; including gender identity in the list of characteristics on the basis of which a person may not commit certain acts; authorizing a court to require an offender convicted of hate crimes to complete an antibias education program in addition to any other penalties imposed; requiring the University System of Maryland to manage the development of an antibias education program by January 1, 2023; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## HB 1222 Delegate Conaway

Chapter 387

BALTIMORE CITY - TAX SALES - NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

Requiring that, in Baltimore City, a notice pertaining to tax sales for properties contain an itemized list of the source and amount of each tax due that the collector seeks to recover by means of a tax sale. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## HB 1219 Delegate Conaway

Chapter 388

BALTIMORE CITY - TAX SALES - NOTICE

Requiring a certain notice of tax sale of property in Baltimore City to be sent by first—class certified mail.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## HB 718 Delegate Guyton

Chapter 389

STATE COORDINATOR FOR AUTISM STRATEGY AND ADVISORY STAKEHOLDER GROUP ON AUTISM-RELATED NEEDS – LOCATION AND FUNDING

Moving the State Coordinator for Autism Strategy to the Governor's Office of Community Initiatives; and requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill, for fiscal year 2023 and each fiscal year thereafter, an appropriation to fund the position of State Coordinator for Autism Strategy and the Advisory Stakeholder Group on Autism—Related Needs.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### HB 981

## **Prince George's County Delegation**

Chapter 390

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – TAX SALES – LIMITED AUCTION PG 413-21

Altering the types of properties for which the tax collector in Prince George's County shall conduct a limited auction for property subject to tax liens to property that is a vacant lot or cited as vacant and unfit for habitation; altering eligibility requirements for certain individuals to submit bids in a certain limited auction; and providing that any payments received for a certain tax sale certificate that is void under certain circumstances shall be applied to any taxes on the property that are in arrears.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

### HB 1248

## **Delegate Washington**

Chapter 391

PUBLIC SAFETY – POLICE OFFICER – DATA COLLECTION AND REPORTING

Requiring certain law enforcement agencies to report by March 1, 2022, and each March 1 thereafter, certain information to the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services regarding police officer—involved use of force incidents that resulted in a monetary settlement or judgment against the law enforcement agency; requiring the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services to adopt certain procedures and compile and report certain information to the General Assembly by June 30 each year; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

### HB 477

### **Delegate Pippy**

Chapter 392

COURT ORDER TO USE A CELL SITE SIMULATOR OR OBTAIN LOCATION INFORMATION FROM AN ELECTRONIC DEVICE – PROCEDURES

Providing the ways in which an application for a court order authorizing or directing a law enforcement officer to use a cell site simulator or obtain location information from an electronic device may be submitted to a judge; providing for the ways in which an applicant for the court order and a judge may converse about the court order application; and providing for the ways in which a judge may issue the court order.

#### HB 180 **Delegate Clippinger**

Chapter 393

JUVENILES - SEXTING

Establishing a certain mitigating factor in a certain juvenile court proceeding against a child for a certain violation if the violation involved or arose out of sexting; prohibiting the court from making a disposition of community detention if the violation arose out of sexting unless the court finds that extraordinary circumstances exist; authorizing the court to order a child whose violation arose out of sexting to participate in an age-appropriate educational program on the risks and consequences of sexting: etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## HB 310 Chapter 394

### **Delegate Lierman**

MARYLAND ARTS CAPITAL GRANT PROGRAM

Establishing the Maryland Arts Capital Grant Program to provide grants for the acquisition of, the expansion of, the renovation of, or major repairs to a facility or other infrastructure operated by a certain organization; requiring the Governor, for fiscal years 2024 through 2029, to include \$3,000,000 for the Program in the State budget: requiring the establishment of a competitive application process; prohibiting an organization from receiving a grant for a single project that exceeds \$1,000,000 in any fiscal year; etc.

#### EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

Senator Elfreth, et al

SB 323 Chapter 395

## MARYLAND ARTS CAPITAL GRANT PROGRAM

Establishing the Maryland Arts Capital Grant Program to provide grants for the acquisition of, the expansion of, the renovation of, or major repairs to a facility or other infrastructure operated by a certain organization; requiring the Governor, for fiscal years 2024 through 2029, to include \$3,000,000 for the Program in the State budget; requiring the establishment of a competitive application process; prohibiting an organization from receiving a grant for a single project that exceeds \$1,000,000 in any fiscal year; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 1190 Howard County Delegation

Chapter 396

HOWARD COUNTY – BOARD OF EDUCATION – REDETERMINATION OF GEOGRAPHIC ATTENDANCE AREA HO. CO. 05–21

Requiring the Howard County Board of Education to submit to the General Assembly and the Howard County Delegation to the General Assembly an annual report on the program capacity of each permanent school facility, beginning in the 2021–2022 school year; requiring the county board to submit a report to the General Assembly and the Howard County Delegation on a plan to adjust student enrollment to meet target utilization, if student enrollment at a permanent school facility is not within 10% of target utilization; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 1336 Delegate Proctor

Chapter 397

STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS – MEMBERSHIP AND VESTING

Requiring the Executive Director of the Alcohol and Tobacco Commission to be a sworn police officer with certain powers; providing that an individual who commences employment as the Executive Director of the State Retirement Agency on or after January 1, 2021, shall have immediate vesting rights in the Employees' Pension System; requiring the State Retirement Agency to submit a report on immediate vesting for certain positions to the Joint Committee on Pensions by December 1, 2021; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

### SB 761 Senator Elfreth

Chapter 398

STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS – MEMBERSHIP AND VESTING

Requiring the Executive Director of the Alcohol and Tobacco Commission to be a sworn police officer with certain powers; providing that an individual who commences employment as the Executive Director of the State Retirement Agency on or after January 1, 2021, shall have immediate vesting rights in the Employees' Pension System; requiring the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System to transfer certain service earned under certain circumstances; requiring the Board of Trustees to transfer certain contributions; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 1053 Delegate B. Barnes

Chapter 399

OPERATING BUDGET – EDUCATION PROGRAMS – MANDATED FUNDING

Requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill for fiscal year 2023 an appropriation to each program under Funding for Educational Organizations – Other Institutions equal to the greater of the funding the program received in fiscal year 2020, 2021, or 2022 and an additional \$150,000.

### SB 882 Senator Guzzone

Chapter 400

OPERATING BUDGET – EDUCATION PROGRAMS – MANDATED FUNDING

Requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill for fiscal year 2023 an appropriation to each program under Funding for Educational Organizations equal to the greater of the funding the program received in fiscal year 2020, 2021 or 2022 and an additional \$150,000.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 436 Delegate Smith

Chapter 401

ENOCH PRATT FREE LIBRARY – OPERATING HOURS AND FUNDING

Requiring an annual appropriation of \$3,000,000 to be used for branches of the Enoch Pratt Free Library that extend operating hours and services above those in effect as of January 1, 2016; declaring that it is the intent of the General Assembly to utilize increased operating hours and services to advance the library's commitment to equity, inclusion, and greater access to library resources, programs, and services; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## SB 477

### Senator McCray, et al

Chapter 402

ENOCH PRATT FREE LIBRARY – OPERATING HOURS AND FUNDING

Requiring an annual appropriation of \$3,000,000 to be used for branches of the Enoch Pratt Free Library that extend operating hours and services above those in effect as of January 1, 2016; declaring that it is the intent of the General Assembly to utilize increased operating hours and services to advance the library's commitment to equity, inclusion, and greater access to library resources, programs, and services; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

### **HB** 98

#### **Delegate Washington**

Chapter 403

MARYLAND HIGHER EDUCATION OUTREACH AND COLLEGE ACCESS PILOT PROGRAM – ALTERATIONS (MARYLAND COLLEGE ACCESS ACT)

Repealing the termination date of the Maryland Higher Education Outreach and College Access Pilot Program; providing that one of the purposes of the Program is to increase the number of low—income students attending and succeeding in college; altering the title of the Program; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$200,000 for the Program; and altering the reporting dates of a certain report on the Program.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 1060 I

### **Delegate Patterson**

Chapter 404

CHARLES COUNTY – BOARD OF EDUCATION – MEMBERSHIP ALTERATIONS

Altering the manner of election for certain members of the Charles County Board of Education by specifying that members be elected from certain county commissioner districts; providing for the ballot requirements for a certain election; requiring the State Board of Elections to declare the election of certain candidates; providing for the qualifications of the elected members of the county board; authorizing the student member of the county board to vote on all matters before the board, with the exception of certain matters; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### SB 749

## **Senator Ellis**

Chapter 405

CHARLES COUNTY – BOARD OF EDUCATION – MEMBERSHIP ALTERATIONS

Altering the manner of election for certain members of the Charles County Board of Education by specifying that members be elected from certain county commissioner districts; providing for the ballot requirements for a certain election; requiring the State Board of Elections to declare the election of certain candidates; providing for the qualifications of the elected members of the county board; authorizing the student member of the county board to vote on all matters before the board, with certain exceptions; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### HB 356

### Delegate Qi

Chapter 406

## CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS – FILING FEE STUDY

Requiring the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to study and make recommendations to the General Assembly regarding certain filing fees and associated requirements of neighboring states that are equivalent or substantially similar to filing fees required under certain sections of the Corporations and Associations Article on or before January 1, 2022.

## HB 261 Delegate T. Branch

Chapter 407

BUSINESS REGULATION – BATTERY–CHARGED FENCE SECURITY SYSTEMS – REGULATION

Authorizing a local government to require that certain persons who provide battery—charged fence security systems comply with certain laws, require certain persons who operate or install certain security systems to obtain certain registrations or permits, require a certain installer to submit a certain affidavit, and conduct a certain inspection; authorizing a local government to issue a citation under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## SB 135 Senator Klausmeier

Chapter 408

BUSINESS REGULATION – BATTERY–CHARGED FENCE SECURITY SYSTEMS – REGULATION

Authorizing a local government to require that certain persons who provide battery—charged fence security systems comply with certain laws, require certain persons who operate or install certain security systems to obtain certain registrations or permits, require a certain installer to submit a certain affidavit, and conduct a certain inspection; authorizing a local government to issue a citation for noncompliance and impose a fine of \$500 if a system is not made compliant; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## HB 471 Delegate C. Watson

Chapter 409

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS – SECURITY QUESTIONS AND MEASURES

Requiring a financial institution that requires a customer to provide an answer to a security question in connection with the provision of an account to allow a customer to choose from at least two security questions options for each required security question; and applying the Act prospectively.

## SB 185 Senators Kagan and Reilly

Chapter 410

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS – SECURITY QUESTIONS AND MEASURES

Requiring a financial institution that requires a customer to provide an answer to a security question in connection with the provision of an account to allow a customer to choose from at least two security questions options for each required security question; and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## HB 518 Delegate Dumais

Chapter 411

PUBLIC LIBRARIES – ELECTRONIC LITERARY PRODUCT LICENSES – ACCESS

Requiring a publisher who offers to license an electronic literary product to the public to also offer to license the product to public libraries in the State on reasonable terms that would enable public libraries to provide library users with access to the electronic literary product; authorizing the terms of a license authorizing public libraries to provide access to electronic literary products to include certain limitations; defining an electronic literary product; etc. EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2022

## SB 432 Senator King

Chapter 412

PUBLIC LIBRARIES – ELECTRONIC LITERARY PRODUCT LICENSES – ACCESS

Requiring a publisher who offers to license an electronic literary product to the public to also offer to license the electronic literary product to public libraries in the State on reasonable terms that would enable public libraries to provide library users with access to the electronic literary product; authorizing the license terms authorizing public libraries to provide access to electronic literary products to include certain limitations; defining "electronic literary product"; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2022

## HB 884 Delegate Buckel

Chapter 413

TASK FORCE ON THE ECONOMIC FUTURE OF WESTERN MARYLAND – EXTENSION OF REPORT DEADLINE AND TASK FORCE

Extending the deadline for the reporting requirement for the Task Force on the Economic Future of Western Maryland to October 1, 2021; and extending the termination date for the Task Force. EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

### SB 678 Senator Edwards

Chapter 414

TASK FORCE ON THE ECONOMIC FUTURE OF WESTERN MARYLAND – EXTENSION OF REPORT DEADLINE AND TASK FORCE

Extending the deadline for the reporting requirement for the Task Force on the Economic Future of Western Maryland to October 1, 2021; and extending the termination date for the Task Force. EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

## HB 1211 Delegate D. Barnes

Chapter 415

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – MARYLAND TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION – PRE–SEED BUILDER FUND

Establishing the Pre—Seed Builder Fund in the Maryland Technology Development Corporation as a special, nonlapsing fund to support the development of start—up companies run by entrepreneurs from socially or economically disadvantaged backgrounds that hinder access to traditional forms of capital and executive networks at the pre—seed stage; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill a certain appropriation to the Fund; providing for the investment of money in the Fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 867 Delegate Smith

Chapter 416

BALTIMORE REGIONAL NEIGHBORHOOD INITIATIVE PROGRAM FUND

Extending the requirement to provide an annual appropriation of \$12,000,000 in the State budget for the Baltimore Regional Neighborhood Initiative Program Fund for fiscal year 2020 and to each fiscal year thereafter.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

SB 699

Senator McCray

Chapter 417

BALTIMORE REGIONAL NEIGHBORHOOD INITIATIVE PROGRAM FUND

Extending the requirement to provide an annual appropriation of \$12,000,000 in the State budget for the Baltimore Regional Neighborhood Initiative Program Fund to each fiscal year after 2020. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

HB 173

Delegate Feldmark, et al

Chapter 418

INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION – STATE FUNDING – REVISION

Requiring the University of Maryland School of Medicine to provide clinical care at the University of Maryland Capital Regional Medical Center by assigning faculty who specialize in neuroscience, obstetrics and gynecology, oncology, and vascular neurology; requiring the University of Maryland School of Medicine to provide specialized clinical care at certain rural hospitals by assigning faculty who specialize in essential areas; requiring the Governor, in fiscal years 2023 through 2025, to provide certain appropriations; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

HB 844

Delegate Lierman (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

Chapter 419

STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – FIDUCIARY INSURANCE

Authorizing the State to purchase a certain insurance policy to satisfy a bond requirement to protect certain losses of State Retirement and Pension System assets.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

SB 641

Senator Elfreth (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

Chapter 420

STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – FIDUCIARY INSURANCE

Authorizing the State to purchase a certain insurance policy to satisfy a bond requirement to protect certain losses of State Retirement and Pension System assets.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

#### HB 922

## Delegate Lierman (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

Chapter 421

STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM - COVID-19-RELATED DEATH BENEFITS - CLARIFICATION

Clarifying the eligibility of certain members of the State Retirement and Pension System for certain death benefits when COVID-19 caused or contributed to the death of a member; requiring the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System to accept the death of a member as arising out of or in the course of the actual performance of duty under certain circumstances; requiring the Board, under certain circumstances, to discontinue payment of a certain allowance and begin payment of a certain special death benefit allowance; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

## SB 642 Chapter 422

## Senator Elfreth (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions) and Senator Jackson

STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM - COVID-19-RELATED DEATH BENEFITS - CLARIFICATION

Clarifying the eligibility of certain members of the State Retirement and Pension System for certain death benefits when COVID-19 caused or contributed to the death of a member; requiring the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System to accept the death of a member as arising out of or in the course of the actual performance of duty under certain circumstances; requiring the Board, under certain circumstances, to discontinue payment of a certain allowance and begin payment of a certain special death benefit allowance; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

#### HB 1054

### Delegate B. Barnes

Chapter 423

EDUCATION - MARYLAND SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND - PAY **PLAN** 

Requiring a single, uniform pay plan for teachers and professional personnel at the Maryland School for the Blind; requiring the Secretary of Budget and Management to establish the pay plan after considering recommendations by the Board of Directors of the School; requiring the Board to review certain salaries in determining the pay plan recommendations; requiring the Board to submit the recommendations to the Secretary by June 1 prior to the July 1 of the first fiscal year in which the pay plan will take effect; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

### SB 720

#### **Senator Zucker**

Chapter 424

EDUCATION – MARYLAND SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND – PAY **PLAN** 

Requiring a single, uniform pay plan for teachers and professional personnel at the Maryland School for the Blind; requiring the Secretary of Budget and Management to establish the pay plan after considering recommendations by the Board of Directors of the School; requiring the Board to review certain salaries in determining the pay plan recommendations; requiring the Board to submit the recommendations to the Secretary by June 1 prior to the July 1 of the first fiscal year in which the pay plan will take effect; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### HB 1058

### **Delegate Stewart**

Chapter 425

PUBLIC ETHICS - DISCLOSURES, TRAINING, AND USE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION (INTEGRITY IN HIGH OFFICE ACT)

Requiring the State Ethics Commission to provide a certain training course to a certain State official on or after January 19, 2023; requiring a certain official to send a copy of a certain disclosure of a certain conflict of interest to the presiding officers of the General Assembly and the Ethics Commission; requiring a certain official who takes a certain executive action and has a certain interest to provide certain information to the Ethics Commission and the Joint Committee on Legislative Ethics; etc.

## HB 1213 Delegate Queen

Chapter 426

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS – DETERMINATION OF CREDITWORTHINESS – EVALUATION RULES AND ALTERNATIVE METHODS

Requiring certain credit grantors to adhere to certain rules concerning evaluations of applications and, under certain circumstances, consider alternative methods of evaluating an applicant's creditworthiness when evaluating an application for a primary residential mortgage loan or an extension of credit.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## HB 1004 Delegate Crosby

Chapter 427

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS – COMMISSIONER OF FINANCIAL REGULATION – CREDIT UNION POWER

Altering the process by and circumstances under which a credit union may engage in any additional activity, service, or other practice that is authorized for federal credit unions; requiring a credit union to provide written notice to the Commissioner of Financial Regulation at least 45 calendar days before engaging in any additional activity, service, or other practice; authorizing the Commissioner to prohibit a credit union from engaging in any additional activity, service, or other practice under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

# SB 335 Senator Sydnor

Chapter 428

COURTS – NONGOVERNMENTAL CORPORATE PARTIES – DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS

Requiring a nongovernmental corporate party to file, at a first appearance, pleading, petition, motion, response, or other request addressed to the court, one copy of a certain disclosure statement; specifying the contents of the disclosure statement; and requiring a nongovernmental corporate party to file a supplemental statement if any required information changes.

## HB 980

## **Prince George's County Delegation**

Chapter 429

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – PUBLIC ETHICS – PAYMENTS AND TRANSFER AND ZONE INTENSIFICATION REQUESTS PG 416–21

Exempting a member of the Prince George's County Council from the prohibition against voting or participating in a proceeding regarding a countywide zoning map amendment under certain circumstances; providing for the application of certain provisions of the Act; prohibiting the Prince George's County Planning Board from recommending, and the District Council in Prince George's County from approving, a certain request in adopting and approving a countywide zoning map amendment, subject to a certain exception; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### HB 776

### **Delegate Ebersole**

Chapter 430

STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION – INFANT AND EARLY CHILDHOOD MENTAL HEALTH CONSULTATION PROJECT – STUDY AND REPORT

Requiring the State Department of Education to perform a thorough study, analysis, and evaluation of the Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation Project; requiring that the Department evaluate Project services, capacity, and integration with existing programs; requiring that the Department report on progress toward completing certain recommendations; and requiring the Department to report its findings to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before January 1, 2022.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

### HB 769

### **Montgomery County Delegation**

Chapter 431

MONTGOMERY COUNTY – HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES COMMISSION – PUBLIC BODY MC 07–21

Providing that a committee of the Housing Opportunities Commission of Montgomery County is a public body for purposes of the Open Meetings Act.

## HB 684 Delegate Valderrama

Chapter 432

PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS – SURVEYING PRACTICE – DEFINITION AND LICENSING EXCEPTION

Altering the definition of "practice land surveying" for purposes of certain provisions of law governing professional land surveyors; and exempting certain individuals who utilize measurement devices or systems, regardless of the technology or methods used, for the exclusive purpose of determining topography and contours and are certified by certain entities approved by the State Board for Professional Land Surveyors from certain licensing requirements. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## HB 567 Montgomery County Delegation

Chapter 433

MONTGOMERY COUNTY – COOPERATIVE HOUSING CORPORATIONS, CONDOMINIUMS, AND HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS – RESERVE STUDIES MC 3–21

Requiring the governing body of certain cooperative housing corporations in Montgomery County to have a certain reserve study conducted of the common elements of the cooperative housing corporation within 5 years after the date of the initial reserve study and updated at least every 5 years under certain circumstances; requiring the reserve study conducted of the common elements of a cooperative housing corporation in Montgomery County to meet certain criteria; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

# HB 83 Delegate Queen

Chapter 434

PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS – ELECTRIC RETRACTABLE ROOM PARTITIONS – OPERATION REQUIREMENTS

Prohibiting public and nonpublic school employees from operating an electric retractable room partition in a school except under certain circumstances; requiring any annual safety review, evaluation, or exercise for school employees in a certain school building to include certain information and demonstrations; requiring the State Department of Education to develop and disseminate model safety guidelines on the safe operation of electric retractable room partitions and publish the model safety guidelines on its public website; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### HB 1238

## **Delegate Forbes**

Chapter 435

MARYLAND 529 PROGRAM – BOARD AUTHORITY AND STATE CONTRIBUTION – ALTERATIONS

Authorizing the Maryland 529 Board to distribute certain fees in a certain manner; requiring an account holder of the Maryland Senator Edward J. Kasemeyer College Investment Plan to be a State resident and file taxes before July 15 each year to qualify for a State contribution; requiring a qualified beneficiary to be under the age of 26 years to receive a State contribution; prohibiting an account holder from qualifying for more than \$9,000 of State contributions through a certain time period; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### SB 779

## Senator Elfreth, et al

Chapter 436

MARYLAND 529 PROGRAM – BOARD AUTHORITY AND STATE CONTRIBUTION – ALTERATIONS

Authorizing the Maryland 529 Board to distribute certain fees in a certain manner; requiring an account holder of the Maryland Senator Edward J. Kasemeyer College Investment Plan to be a State resident and file taxes before July 15 each year to qualify for a State contribution; requiring a qualified beneficiary to be under the age of 26 years to receive a State contribution; prohibiting an account holder from qualifying for more than \$9,000 of State contributions through a certain time period; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### HB 944

### **Delegate Solomon**

Chapter 437

GROWING FAMILY CHILD CARE OPPORTUNITIES PILOT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED

Establishing the Growing Family Child Care Opportunities Pilot Program in the Department of Education; authorizing the Department to provide grants to local jurisdictions or child care licensing regions to increase the supply and ensure the sustainability of family child care providers in areas with above average rates of poverty and unemployment; requiring the Department to report to the General Assembly by December 1, 2021, and each year thereafter, on the status of the program and an evaluation of local pilot programs; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## SB 711 Senator King

Chapter 438

GROWING FAMILY CHILD CARE OPPORTUNITIES PILOT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED

Establishing the Growing Family Child Care Opportunities Pilot Program in the State Department of Education; authorizing the Department to provide grants to local jurisdictions or child care licensing regions to increase the supply and ensure the sustainability of family child care providers in areas with above average rates of poverty and unemployment; requiring the Department to report to the General Assembly by December 1, 2021, and each year thereafter, on the status of the Program and an evaluation of local pilot programs; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 264 Delegate Charkoudian

Chapter 439

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT – ORGANICS RECYCLING AND WASTE DIVERSION – FOOD RESIDUALS

Requiring a certain person that generates food residuals to separate the food residuals from other solid waste and ensure that the food residuals are diverted from final disposal in a refuse disposal system in a certain manner; applying the requirements of the Act to certain persons that generate certain amounts of food residuals; authorizing a person experiencing undue hardship because of the costs of diverting food residuals to apply for a certain waiver; requiring the Department of the Environment to issue a certain warning; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## SB 483 Senator Hettleman, et al

Chapter 440

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT – ORGANICS RECYCLING AND WASTE DIVERSION – FOOD RESIDUALS

Requiring a certain person that generates food residuals to separate the food residuals from other solid waste and ensure that the food residuals are diverted from final disposal in a refuse disposal system in a certain manner; applying the requirements of the Act to certain persons that generate certain amounts of food residuals; authorizing a person experiencing undue hardship because of the costs of diverting food residuals to apply for a certain waiver; requiring the Department of the Environment to issue a certain warning; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### HB 517 I

## Delegate C. Watson

Chapter 441

CLEAN ENERGY LOAN PROGRAM – REMEDIATION AND RESILIENCY

Expanding the purpose of a certain clean energy loan program to include loans for water efficiency projects, environmental remediation projects intended to remove environmental or health hazards, and resiliency projects to increase the capacity of a property to withstand the effects of climate change; adding water efficiency projects and environmental remediation and resiliency projects to the items requiring eligibility requirements under a certain ordinance; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### HB 204

## Delegate Lierman

Chapter 442

ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES – COMPLAINTS, INSPECTIONS, AND ENFORCEMENT – INFORMATION MAINTENANCE AND REPORTING

Requiring the Department of the Environment to receive and process complaints involving alleged violations of certain air and water quality requirements in a certain manner; requiring the Department to keep an electronic record of certain complaints for 10 years; requiring the Department Natural Resources to report, on or before September 30 each year, to the Governor and the General Assembly certain information relating to the enforcement of natural resources and conservation laws; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

### SB 324

### **Senators Elfreth and Bailey**

Chapter 443

ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES – COMPLAINTS, INSPECTIONS, AND ENFORCEMENT – INFORMATION MAINTENANCE AND REPORTING

Requiring the Department of the Environment to receive and process complaints involving alleged violations of certain air and water quality requirements in a certain manner; requiring the Department of the Environment to keep an electronic record of certain complaints for 10 years; requiring the Department of Natural Resources to report, on or before September 30 each year, to the Governor and the General Assembly certain information relating to the enforcement of natural resources and conservation laws; etc.

### HB 407

## **Delegate Stein**

Chapter 444

ON–SITE SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS – INSPECTION – LICENSING

Prohibiting an individual from engaging in the business of inspecting an on–site sewage disposal system unless the person holds a valid on–site wastewater property transfer inspection license issued by the Department of the Environment on or after July 1, 2022; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations by January 1, 2022; providing an administrative penalty of up to \$10,000 for a violation of the Act; providing that each inspection knowingly conducted without a valid license constitutes a separate violation of the Act; etc. VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

#### SB 22

## **Senator Young**

Chapter 445

ON–SITE SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS – INSPECTION – LICENSING

Prohibiting an individual from engaging in the business of inspecting an on–site sewage disposal system unless the person holds a valid on–site wastewater property transfer inspection license issued by the Department of the Environment on or after July 1, 2022; requiring the Department to adopt regulations by January 1, 2022; providing an administrative penalty of up to \$10,000 for a violation of the Act; providing that each inspection knowingly conducted without a valid license constitutes a separate violation of the Act; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

#### HB7

### **Delegate Luedtke**

Chapter 446

VENISON DONATION EXPENSES – INCOME TAX CREDIT AND GRANT PROGRAM

Expanding eligibility for a certain credit against the State income tax for certain deer donation expenses to include an individual who hunts and harvests an antlerless deer in Montgomery County and donates the deer carcass or processed deer meat to the Montgomery County Deer Donation Program; establishing a Venison Donation Grant Program to provide grants to defray the costs of butchering and processing deer that are donated to venison donation programs in the State; requiring the Department to approve applications in a certain manner; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

#### HB 619

## **Prince George's County Delegation**

Chapter 447

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS – RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS PG 302–21

Establishing that certain provisions of law authorizing the use of speed monitoring systems in certain residential districts apply in Prince George's County.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### SB 103

### **Senator Kramer**

Chapter 448

DOMESTIC ANIMALS – RETAIL PET STORES AND THE TASK FORCE TO STUDY CANINE BREEDING FACILITIES AND SOURCING STANDARDS

Altering the definition of "retail pet store" to include a broker that transfers dogs or cats for resale by another person for purposes of certain provisions of law regulating retail pet stores; clarifying a certain prohibition on the sale of cats or dogs by retail pet stores; establishing the Task Force to Study Canine Breeding Facilities and Sourcing Standards to examine canine breeding practices and make recommendations by December 1, 2021, for any legislative actions needed to create standards for persons selling dogs in the State; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### HB 768

## **Montgomery County Delegation**

Chapter 449

MONTGOMERY COUNTY – COMMUNITY CHOICE ENERGY – PILOT PROGRAM MC 17–21

Applying certain laws regarding net energy metering and community solar generating systems to customers served by a community choice aggregator; altering the circumstances under which counties and municipal corporations may act as an aggregator; establishing the Community Choice Aggregator Pilot Program; establishing a process by which, beginning on December 31, 2023, a certain county may form a community choice aggregator; requiring a certain county to develop a plan and give notice of a certain aggregation plan; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

#### HB 626 Prince George's County Delegation

Chapter 450

**PRINCE** GEORGE'S COUNTY VEHICLE **HEIGHT** MONITORING SYSTEMS PG 305-21

Authorizing the use of certain vehicle height monitoring systems in Prince George's County to enforce certain State and local laws during certain times; requiring the establishment of a workgroup of county and municipal officials to examine certain matters before the installation of any vehicle height monitoring systems in Prince George's County; requiring the establishment of a workgroup to include trucking industry representatives for certain purposes prior to the installation of certain vehicle height monitoring systems; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### HB 1074 Delegate R. Watson

Chapter 451

VEHICLE LAWS – COMMERCIAL MOTOR CARRIERS – SAFETY. INSPECTION. PERFORMANCE. AND INSURANCE INFORMATION (JAMES COHRAN'S LAW)

Requiring certain employers of commercial motor vehicle drivers to provide the U.S. Department of Transportation number of any entity currently owned by the employer and website address for the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's Safety and Fitness Records (SAFER) System to a prospective employee driver on a bona fide offer of employment; and providing certain civil penalties. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### **SB** 140 **Senator Peters**

Chapter 452

VEHICLE LAWS – COMMERCIAL MOTOR CARRIERS – SAFETY, INSPECTION, PERFORMANCE, AND **INSURANCE** INFORMATION (JAMES COHRAN'S LAW)

Requiring certain employers of commercial motor vehicle drivers to provide the U.S. Department of Transportation number of any entity currently owned by the employer and website address for the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's Safety and Fitness Records (SAFER) System to a prospective employee driver on a bona fide offer of employment; and providing certain civil penalties.

HB 969

**Delegate Carey** 

Chapter 453

HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE – CRITICAL MEDICAL NEEDS PROGRAM – POWER TO THE PEOPLE PILOT PROGRAM

Requiring the Office of Home Energy Programs, in coordination with the United Way of Central Maryland and the Fuel Fund of Maryland, to establish the Power to the People Pilot Program on or before July 1, 2022, to expand access to the Critical Medical Needs Program; requiring the Pilot Program to provide training for certain individuals to serve as navigators under the Critical Medical Needs Program; requiring the United Way of Central Maryland to develop a certain screening intake process; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

SB 846

#### **Senator Benson**

Chapter 454

HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE – CRITICAL MEDICAL NEEDS PROGRAM – POWER TO THE PEOPLE PILOT PROGRAM

Requiring the Office of Home Energy Programs, in coordination with the United Way of Central Maryland and the Fuel Fund of Maryland, to establish the Power to the People Pilot Program on or before July 1, 2022, to expand access to the Critical Medical Needs Program; requiring the Pilot Program to provide training for certain individuals in the Critical Medical Needs Program; requiring the United Way of Central Maryland to develop a certain screening intake process; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

HB 110

### **Delegate Korman**

Chapter 455

ELECTRIC VEHICLE RECHARGING EQUIPMENT FOR MULTIFAMILY UNITS ACT

Providing that certain provisions of a recorded covenant or restriction, a declaration, or the bylaws or rules of a condominium or homeowners association are void and unenforceable if they prohibit or unreasonably restrict the installation or use of electric vehicle recharging equipment; requiring certain owners of electric vehicle recharging equipment to be responsible for certain costs and disclosures; requiring a unit owner or lot owner to obtain certain permits or approval; etc.

#### **SB 144**

#### Senator Guzzone

Chapter 456

ELECTRIC VEHICLE RECHARGING EQUIPMENT FOR MULTIFAMILY UNITS ACT

Providing that certain provisions of a recorded covenant or restriction, a declaration, or the bylaws or rules of a condominium or homeowners association are void and unenforceable if they prohibit or unreasonably restrict the installation or use of electric vehicle recharging equipment; requiring certain owners of electric vehicle recharging equipment to be responsible for certain costs and disclosures; requiring a unit owner or lot owner to obtain certain permits or approval; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### HB 799

## **Delegate Clark**

Chapter 457

AQUACULTURE COORDINATING COUNCIL – APPLICATION OF TIDAL WETLANDS PERMIT REQUIREMENTS TO AQUACULTURE OPERATIONS – STUDY

Requiring the Aquaculture Coordinating Council, in coordination with the Department of the Environment, to review policies regarding the application of State or tidal wetlands license and permit requirements to aquaculture operations; and requiring, by December 1, 2021, the Council and the Department to submit to the Governor and the General Assembly their findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, on changes necessary to eliminate conflicts or redundancies in the oversight of aquaculture operations in the State.

**EMERGENCY BILL** 

### SB 442 Senator Klausmeier

Chapter 458

AQUACULTURE COORDINATING COUNCIL – APPLICATION OF TIDAL WETLANDS PERMIT REQUIREMENTS TO AQUACULTURE OPERATIONS – STUDY

Requiring the Aquaculture Coordinating Council, in consultation with the Department of the Environment, to review the policies of the Department regarding the application of State or tidal wetlands license and permit requirements to aquaculture operations in the State, and to report to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 1, 2021, on the Council's recommendations, including any proposed legislation, on changes needed to eliminate redundancies and conflicts in the oversight of aquaculture operations; etc. EMERGENCY BILL

## HB 248 Delegate Shetty

Chapter 459

CONDOMINIUMS AND HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS – RIGHTS AND RESTRICTIONS – COMPOSTING

Prohibiting a recorded covenant or restriction, a provision in a declaration, or a provision in the bylaws or rules of a condominium or a homeowners association from prohibiting or unreasonably restricting a unit owner from contracting with a private entity to collect organic waste materials for composting and from prohibiting or unreasonably restricting a lot owner from composting organic waste materials for the lot owner's personal or household use as long as the lot owner owns or has the right to exclusive use of the composting area; etc.

# EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

HB 250

### Delegate Fraser-Hidalgo

Chapter 460

### COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLES - INSPECTIONS

Altering the mileage at which the owner of a Class F (tractor) vehicle that has been in operation for not more than 5 years is required to have the vehicle inspected, maintained, and repaired to 35,000 miles; and altering the mileage at which the owner of certain Class E vehicles that have been in operation for not more than 5 years is required to have the vehicle inspected, maintained, and repaired to 50,000 miles if the vehicles are zero–emission electric vehicles or fuel cell electric vehicles.

## HB 519 Delegate Barve

Chapter 461

VEHICLE EQUIPMENT – SAFETY GLASS – REPLACEMENT STANDARDS

Requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to adopt regulations establishing standards and requirements for aftermarket safety glass replacement that include certain requirements and meet or exceed certain standards and requirements; and defining "aftermarket safety glass replacement" as motor vehicle safety glass replacement services that occur after the original installation by a vehicle manufacturer.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## HB 758 Delegate Bagnall

Chapter 462

MARYLAND LICENSURE OF CERTIFIED MIDWIVES ACT

Establishing a licensing and regulatory system for the practice of certified midwifery under the State Board of Nursing; requiring the Board to set standards for the practice of certified midwifery, maintain a list of all licensed certified midwives in the State, and set certain fees; altering the circumstances under which the Board shall require an applicant or a licensee to submit to a certain examination; requiring the Board to give certain persons a hearing before taking certain actions; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## SB 684 Senator Lam

Chapter 463

#### MARYLAND LICENSURE OF CERTIFIED MIDWIVES ACT

Establishing a licensing and regulatory system for the practice of certified midwifery under the State Board of Nursing; requiring the Board to set standards for the practice of certified midwifery, maintain a list of all licensed certified midwives in the State, and set certain fees; altering the circumstances under which the Board shall require an applicant or a licensee to submit to a certain examination; requiring the Board to give certain persons a hearing before taking certain actions; etc.

## HB 1034 Delegate Cullison

Chapter 464

PRESCRIPTION DRUG AFFORDABILITY BOARD – PLAN OF ACTION – REPEAL OF DATE FOR SUBMISSION

Repealing the date by which the Prescription Drug Affordability Board is required to submit a certain plan of action regarding the establishment of a process for setting the upper payment limits for certain prescription drug products to the Legislative Policy Committee of the General Assembly.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

#### SB 744

#### Senator Eckardt

Chapter 465

STATE BOARD OF NURSING – CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANT ADVISORY COMMITTEE – MEMBERSHIP AND MEETINGS

Increasing the number of alternates that the State Board of Nursing is required to appoint for certain members of the Certified Nursing Assistant Advisory Committee; establishing certain qualifications for members of the advisory committee; prohibiting a member of the advisory committee from serving more than 2 consecutive full terms; requiring the State Board to fill a certain vacancy within 60 days after the date of the vacancy, to the extent practicable; altering the meeting requirements for the advisory committee; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

### HB 484

### **Delegate Cullison**

Chapter 466

HEALTH CARE FACILITIES – DIALYSIS TREATMENT SERVICES – TRAINING (DAVID SELBY DIALYSIS PARITY ACT)

Prohibiting a health care facility from providing peritoneal dialysis or hemodialysis treatment services unless the individual performing the dialysis procedure has been trained in the peritoneal dialysis or hemodialysis technique being performed; establishing civil penalties not exceeding \$5,000 for each violation of the Act; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to adopt certain regulations; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

## SB 111 Senator Kramer

Chapter 467

HEALTH CARE FACILITIES – DIALYSIS TREATMENT SERVICES – TRAINING (DAVID SELBY DIALYSIS PARITY ACT)

Prohibiting a health care facility from providing peritoneal dialysis or hemodialysis treatment services unless the individual performing the dialysis procedure has been trained in the peritoneal dialysis or hemodialysis technique being performed; establishing civil penalties not exceeding \$5,000 for each violation of the Act; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to adopt certain regulations; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

# HB 457 Delegate Dumais

Chapter 468

INSURANCE – APPLICATION OF PREMIUM TAX – CONTINUED EXCLUSION OF MARYLAND AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE FUND

Repealing a certain termination provision for the purpose of continuing the exclusion of the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund from the list of insurance companies and other persons that are subject to a certain premium tax.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

# SB 149 Senator Kelley

Chapter 469

INSURANCE – APPLICATION OF PREMIUM TAX – CONTINUED EXCLUSION OF MARYLAND AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE FUND

Repealing a certain termination provision for the purpose of continuing the exclusion of the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund from the list of insurance companies and other persons that are subject to a certain premium tax.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

# SB 923 Senator Washington

Chapter 470

MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – ELIGIBILITY

Requiring the Maryland Medical Assistance Program to provide comprehensive medical, dental, and other health care services for a pregnant Program recipient for the duration of the pregnancy and for 1 year immediately following the end of the woman's pregnancy. EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2022

# HB 554 Delegate Pena-Melnyk

Chapter 471

DIVISION OF CONSUMER PROTECTION – ASSISTED LIVING PROGRAMS

Requiring an assisted living program that was appointed as a representative payee for residents to report certain information, by June 1 each year, to the Division of Consumer Protection of the Office of the Attorney General; requiring the Office of Health Care Quality in the Maryland Department of Health to notify the Division of the appointment of an assisted living program as a resident's representative payee within a reasonable period of time; requiring unfair trade allegations to be reported in a certain manner; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

# SB 507 Senator Kelley, et al

Chapter 472

DIVISION OF CONSUMER PROTECTION – ASSISTED LIVING PROGRAMS

Requiring an assisted living program that was appointed as a representative payee for residents to report certain information, by June 1 each year, to the Division of Consumer Protection of the Office of the Attorney General; requiring the Office of Health Care Quality in the Maryland Department of Health to notify the Division of the appointment of an assisted living program as a resident's representative payee within a reasonable period of time; requiring unfair trade allegations to be reported in a certain manner; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

# HB 210 Delegate Bhandari

Chapter 473

STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINERS – TEMPORARY LICENSES TO PRACTICE PHYSICAL THERAPY AND LIMITED PHYSICAL THERAPY

Authorizing the State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners to issue a temporary license to practice physical therapy and limited physical therapy to certain applicants who meet certain requirements; providing that a temporary license authorizes certain individuals to practice limited physical therapy or physical therapy under direct supervision and is valid until a certain event occurs; altering the grounds on which the Board may take certain disciplinary action; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## SB 517 Senator Klausmeier

Chapter 474

STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINERS – TEMPORARY LICENSES TO PRACTICE PHYSICAL THERAPY AND LIMITED PHYSICAL THERAPY

Authorizing the State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners to issue a temporary license to practice physical therapy and limited physical therapy to applicants who meet certain education and experience requirements but have not passed a certain examination; providing that a temporary license authorizes individuals to practice limited physical therapy or physical therapy under direct supervision and is valid for 90 days after issuance, until the board issues a full license, or the Board revokes the temporary license; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 689 Delegate McComas

Chapter 475

MENTAL HEALTH – ASSENT TO AND CERTIFICATES FOR ADMISSION – LICENSED CERTIFIED SOCIAL WORKER–CLINICAL AND LICENSED CLINICAL PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR

Altering a requirement that assent be given for the voluntary admission of a minor to certain facilities by providing that assent may be given by a physician and a licensed certified social worker—clinical or by a physician and a licensed clinical professional counselor; altering the requirement that a certificate for involuntary admission must be based on the personal examination of a physician and a licensed certified social worker—clinical or by a physician and a licensed clinical professional counselor; etc.

## SB 466 Senator West

Chapter 476

MENTAL HEALTH – ASSENT TO AND CERTIFICATES FOR ADMISSION – LICENSED CERTIFIED SOCIAL WORKER–CLINICAL AND LICENSED CLINICAL PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR

Altering a requirement that assent be given for the voluntary admission of a minor to certain facilities by providing that assent may be given by a physician and a licensed certified social worker—clinical or by a physician and a licensed clinical professional counselor; altering the requirement that a certificate for involuntary admission must be based on the personal examination of a physician and a licensed certified social worker—clinical or by a physician and a licensed clinical professional counselor; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## HB 547 Delegate R. Lewis

Chapter 477

MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – DENTAL PROPHYLAXIS CARE AND ORAL HEALTH EXAMS

Prohibiting, beginning January 1, 2022, the Maryland Medical Assistance Program from including a frequency limitation on dental prophylaxis care or oral health exams that requires the dental prophylaxis care or oral health exams to be provided at an interval greater than 120 days within a plan year. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

# SB 485 Senator Augustine

Chapter 478

MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – DENTAL PROPHYLAXIS CARE AND ORAL HEALTH EXAMS

Prohibiting, beginning January 1, 2022, the Maryland Medical Assistance Program from including a frequency limitation on dental prophylaxis care or oral health exams that requires the dental prophylaxis care or oral health exams to be provided at an interval greater than 120 days within a plan year.

## HB 416

## Delegate Belcastro

Chapter 479

HEALTH CARE FACILITIES – ASSISTED LIVING PROGRAMS – REQUIREMENTS FOR ALZHEIMER'S SPECIAL CARE UNITS AND REGULATIONS

Requiring that the Maryland Department of Health establish certain training and staffing requirements for Alzheimer's special care units in assisted living programs; and requiring the Department to convene interested stakeholders by December 1, 2022, to make revisions to certain regulations and adopt regulations for assisted living programs that incorporate the requirements for Alzheimer's special care units as provided in the Act.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### SB 204

#### **Senator Beidle**

Chapter 480

HEALTH CARE FACILITIES – ASSISTED LIVING PROGRAMS – REQUIREMENTS FOR ALZHEIMER'S SPECIAL CARE UNITS AND REGULATIONS

Requiring that the Maryland Department of Health establish training and staffing requirements for Alzheimer's special care units in assisted living programs to include the number of dementia—specific training hours needed, determine the topic content for dementia—specific training, and require staff numbers sufficient to meet the need of residents in special care units; and requiring the Department to convene certain stakeholders to make revisions to certain regulations and adopt certain regulations by December 1, 2022.

## HB 1243 Delegate Sample-Hughes

Chapter 481

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES AND VOLUNTARY PLACEMENT AGREEMENTS – CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS – REPORT MODIFICATIONS

Requiring that the Director of the Behavioral Health Administration's annual report on behavioral health services for children and young adults in the State include certain information relating to outpatient and substance—related disorders program services used by children and young adults and behavioral health services provided through telehealth; altering the scope of certain data required to be included in the report; requiring that certain data in the report be grouped by race and ethnicity; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## SB 520 Senator Klausmeier

Chapter 482

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES AND VOLUNTARY PLACEMENT AGREEMENTS – CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS – REPORT MODIFICATIONS

Requiring that the Director of the Behavioral Health Administration's annual report on behavioral health services for children and young adults in the State include certain information relating to outpatient and substance—related disorders program services by children and young adults and behavioral health services provided through telehealth; altering the scope of certain data required to be included in the report; requiring that certain data in the report be grouped by race and ethnicity; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## HB 65 Delegate Bhandari

Chapter 483

STATE BOARD OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALISTS – FEES – GENERAL FUND

Repealing provisions creating the State Board of Environmental Health Specialists Fund; and requiring the State Board of Environmental Health Specialists to pay money collected for its services into the General Fund of the State.

## SB 516 Senator Klausmeier

Chapter 484

STATE BOARD OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALISTS – FEES – GENERAL FUND

Repealing provisions creating the State Board of Environmental Health Specialists Fund; and requiring the State Board of Environmental Health Specialists to pay money collected for its services into the General Fund of the State. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 599 Delegate Kelly

Chapter 485

PUBLIC HEALTH – LONG–TERM CARE PLANNING

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health, on or before April 1, 2022, to develop and publish materials to assist State residents with long-term care family planning; requiring certain materials to meet certain requirements; requiring the Department to make certain materials available in certain languages; requiring the Department to ensure that certain materials are understandable to individuals with limited literacy skills; requiring certain State agencies to update certain websites in a certain manner on or before April 1, 2022; etc. EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2022

## SB 652 Senator Klausmeier

Chapter 486

#### PUBLIC HEALTH – LONG–TERM CARE PLANNING

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health, on or before April 1, 2022, to develop and publish materials to assist State residents with long—term care family planning; requiring the Department to make certain materials available in certain languages; requiring the Department to ensure that certain materials are understandable to individuals with limited literacy skills; requiring certain State agencies to update certain websites in a certain manner on or before April 1, 2022; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2022

#### Delegate Sample-Hughes HB 141

Chapter 487

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - RESIDENTIAL SERVICE AGENCIES – TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

Requiring each residential service agency, beginning July 1, 2022, to ensure that within 45 days of the start of employment individuals receive training relating to dementia; providing that certain training may be provided by a certain supervisory staff member; providing that a residential service agency is not required to provide certain individuals certain training under certain circumstances; requiring a person who provides certain training to issue a certification of completion to each individual who completes the training; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### SB 275 Senator Hester, et al

Chapter 488

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - RESIDENTIAL SERVICE AGENCIES – TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

Requiring each residential service agency, beginning July 1, 2022, to ensure that within 45 days of the start of employment individuals receive training relating to dementia; providing that certain training may be provided by a certain supervisory staff member; providing that a residential service agency is not required to provide certain individuals certain training under certain circumstances; requiring a person who provides certain training to issue a certification of completion to each individual who completes the training; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### **HB** 14 **Delegate Kerr**

Chapter 489

PHARMACISTS – PRESCRIPTION DRUG AND DEVICE LABELS - EXPIRATION DATES

Altering the expiration date that is required to be included, except under certain circumstances, on labels on drugs and devices dispensed in the manufacturer's original packaging by a pharmacist to the expiration date set by the manufacturer or a shorter period determined by the pharmacist.

EMERGENCY BILL

## HB 643 Delegate Palakovich Carr

Chapter 490

PUBLIC HEALTH – COSMETIC PRODUCTS – INGREDIENT PROHIBITION

Prohibiting, except under certain circumstances, a person from knowingly manufacturing, selling, delivering, holding, or offering for sale in the State a cosmetic product that contains certain intentionally added ingredients; providing that a person is not in violation of the Act under certain circumstances; declaring that it is the intent of the General Assembly that the Act be construed in a manner consistent with the prohibition on certain intentionally added ingredients in cosmetics enacted by the European Union; etc. EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

# HB 1039 Delegate Kelly

Chapter 491

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY EXAMINERS – REVISIONS

Altering a certain requirement for certain State Board of Massage Therapy Examiners members who are licensed massage therapists; altering the education requirements for applicants to qualify for a certain license or registration by requiring that certain curriculums and programs be endorsed by the Commission on Massage Therapy or a certain equivalent entity; requiring the Criminal Justice Information System Central Repository to provide the Board with a certain revised statement under certain circumstances; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## SB 745 Senator Elfreth

Chapter 492

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY EXAMINERS – REVISIONS

Altering a certain requirement for certain State Board of Massage Therapy Examiners members who are licensed massage therapists; altering the education requirements for applicants to qualify for a certain license or registration by requiring that certain curriculums and programs be endorsed by the Commission on Massage Therapy or a certain equivalent entity; requiring the Criminal Justice Information System Central Repository to provide the Board with a certain revised statement under certain circumstances; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## SB 78 Senator Waldstreicher

Chapter 493

MARYLAND INSTITUTE FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES SYSTEMS – ADMINISTRATION OF KETAMINE – DATA COLLECTION

Requiring the Maryland Emergency Medical Services Systems to collect certain data on the administration of ketamine to individuals by emergency medical services providers; requiring the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems to report certain data to the General Assembly, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House, the Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee, and the House Judiciary Committee by December 1, 2022, and each December 1 thereafter; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## HB 1349 Delegate Sample-Hughes

Chapter 494

PUBLIC HEALTH – MARYLAND PRENATAL AND INFANT CARE GRANT PROGRAM FUND

Renaming the Maryland Prenatal and Infant Care Coordination Services Grant Program Fund to be the Maryland Prenatal and Infant Care Grant Program Fund; altering the purpose of the Fund to include making grants to certain health centers and hospitals and certain providers to increase access to prenatal care; requiring the Governor to include appropriations in the annual budget bill for the Fund; altering the proposals that are required to receive priority to include those from areas with high rates of infants with low birthweight; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## SB 777 Senator Elfreth, et al

Chapter 495

PUBLIC HEALTH – MARYLAND PRENATAL AND INFANT CARE GRANT PROGRAM FUND

Renaming the Maryland Prenatal and Infant Care Coordination Services Grant Program Fund to be the Maryland Prenatal and Infant Care Grant Program Fund; altering the purpose of the Fund to include making grants to federally qualified health centers, hospitals, and certain providers to increase access to prenatal care, which may include behavioral and oral health services; altering the proposals from counties or municipalities that are required to receive priority in the awarding of grants; etc.

HB 107

Delegate R. Lewis

Chapter 496

PROHIBITION ON VENDING MACHINE SALES OF DRUGS AND MEDICINES – REPEAL

Repealing the prohibition on the sale, distribution, and disposal of certain drugs, medicines, pharmaceutical preparations, and medical preparations by means of a vending machine or similar device. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

SB 499

**Senator Lam** 

Chapter 497

PROHIBITION ON VENDING MACHINE SALES OF DRUGS AND MEDICINES – REPEAL

Repealing the prohibition on the sale, distribution, and disposal of certain drugs, medicines, pharmaceutical preparations, and medical preparations by means of a vending machine or similar device. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

HB 10

Delegate K. Young

Chapter 498

INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – LIVING ORGAN DONORS

Increasing, from \$7,500 to \$10,000, the amount of a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for certain expenses paid or incurred by an individual that are attributable to the individual's donation of an organ; altering the definition of "qualified expenses" for purposes of the subtraction modification to include unreimbursed expenses for child care, elder care, and medication; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020; etc.

## SB 48 Senator Young, et al

Chapter 499

INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – LIVING ORGAN DONORS

Increasing, from \$7,500 to \$10,000, the amount of a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for certain expenses paid or incurred by an individual that are attributable to the individual's donation of an organ; altering the definition of "qualified expenses" for purposes of the subtraction modification to include unreimbursed expenses for child care, elder care, and medication; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

# HB 593 Delegate Fraser-Hidalgo

Chapter 500

CONDOMINIUMS AND HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS – MEETING REQUIREMENTS

Making clarifying changes to certain additional meeting requirements for a council of unit owners; requiring notice of an initial properly called meeting of a council of unit owners to include certain information under certain circumstances; requiring an additional meeting of a council of unit owners to be held not earlier than 15 days after the initial properly called meeting; requiring a certain notice of an additional meeting of the council of unit owners to be delivered, advertised, or posted in a certain manner; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

# SB 535 Senator King

Chapter 501

CONDOMINIUMS AND HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS – MEETING REQUIREMENTS

Making clarifying changes to certain additional meeting requirements for a council of unit owners; requiring notice of an initial properly called meeting of a council of unit owners to include certain information under certain circumstances; requiring an additional meeting of a council of unit owners to be held not earlier than 15 days after the initial properly called meeting; requiring a certain notice of an additional meeting of the council of unit owners to be delivered, advertised, or posted in a certain manner; etc.

#### **Delegate Chang** HB 887

Chapter 502

STATE DEBT - ANNUITY BOND FUND - USE OF BOND **PREMIUMS** 

Expanding the authorized use of certain premiums transferred to the Annuity Bond Fund from the sale of State bonds to include paying for capital projects and, if necessary or appropriate from time to time to comply with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code, any other use authorized by the Internal Revenue Code.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

#### SB 60 **Senator Peters**

Chapter 503

STATE DEBT - ANNUITY BOND FUND - USE OF BOND **PREMIUMS** 

Expanding the authorized use of certain premiums transferred to the Annuity Bond Fund from the sale of State bonds to include paying for capital projects and, if necessary or appropriate from time to time to comply with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code, any other use authorized by the Internal Revenue Code.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

#### HB 794 **Carroll County Delegation**

Chapter 504

CARROLL COUNTY - SHERIFF - SALARY

Increasing the salary of the Sheriff of Carroll County to \$125,000, from \$110,000, beginning December 6, 2022, and to \$140,000 beginning December 5, 2023, and thereafter; and providing that the Act does not apply to the salary of the incumbent Sheriff.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### SB 613 **Carroll County Senators**

Chapter 505

CARROLL COUNTY - SHERIFF - SALARY

Increasing the salary of the Sheriff of Carroll County from \$110,000 to \$125,000 beginning December 6, 2022, and to \$140,000 beginning December 5, 2023, and thereafter; and providing that the Act does not apply to the salary of the incumbent Sheriff.

HB 39

**Delegate Shetty** 

Chapter 506

ACTION FOR CHANGE OF NAME – WAIVER OF PUBLICATION REQUIREMENT

Requiring a court to waive a certain publication requirement in an action for change of name under the Maryland Rules on motion by an individual who has filed the action.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

SB 581

Senator Hettleman

Chapter 507

ACTION FOR CHANGE OF NAME – WAIVER OF PUBLICATION REQUIREMENT

Requiring a court to waive a certain publication requirement in an action for change of name under the Maryland Rules on motion by an individual who has filed the action.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

HB 301

Delegates Shetty and R. Lewis

Chapter 508

ESTATES AND TRUSTS – MARYLAND REVISED UNIFORM ANATOMICAL GIFT ACT – REVISIONS

Authorizing a person who chooses to be an organ donor on or after July 1, 2022, to designate if the anatomical gift is to be used for certain purposes; requiring the Organ Procurement Organization or its designee to produce and provide to each Motor Vehicle Administration location educational materials that include definitions of anatomical gift, research and education, and transplantation and therapy; requiring that a gift registered before July 1, 2022, may be used only for transplantation or therapy; etc. EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2022

#### SB 265

#### Senator Waldstreicher

Chapter 509

ESTATES AND TRUSTS – MARYLAND REVISED UNIFORM ANATOMICAL GIFT ACT – REVISIONS

Authorizing a person who chooses to be an organ donor on or after July 1, 2022, to designate if the anatomical gift is to be used for certain purposes; requiring the Organ Procurement Organization or its designee to produce and provide to each Motor Vehicle Administration location educational materials that include definitions of anatomical gift, research and education, and transplantation and therapy; requiring that a gift registered before July 1, 2022, may be used only for transplantation or therapy; etc. EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2022

#### HB 862

## St. Mary's County Delegation

Chapter 510

ST. MARY'S COUNTY AND METROPOLITAN COMMISSION – DEBT LIMITATIONS

Increasing in St. Mary's County the aggregate amount of bonds and other evidences of indebtedness outstanding from 2.15% to 3.15% of certain assessable real property in the County; requiring an amount equal to at least 40% of a certain percent limitation to be available to the St. Mary's Metropolitan Commission for certain bonds or other evidences of indebtedness; altering the total amount of debt the St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission may incur from 25% to 2% of the total value of certain property within certain districts; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### HB 1000

## **Delegate Pippy**

Chapter 511

ESTATES AND TRUSTS – GUARDIAN OF PROPERTY OF MINOR OR DISABLED PERSON – PROHIBITION ON DISTRIBUTION OR DISBURSEMENT

Prohibiting a guardian of the property of a minor or disabled person from distributing or disbursing property of the minor or disabled person without court authorization or confirmation if the guardian is not a family member of the minor or disabled person under certain circumstances; providing that, if a guardian of the property violates the Act, the guardian is liable for breach of the guardian's fiduciary duty to certain persons to the same extent as a trustee of an express trust; etc.

## HB 1178 Delegate Brooks

Chapter 512

INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – FIRST–TIME HOMEBUYER SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

Allowing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for contributions to a certain first—time homebuyer savings account during a taxable year and certain earnings on the account; providing that an account holder may claim the subtraction modification under certain circumstances; providing that transfers of money to or from the account are subject to certain requirements and limitations; applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### HB 1266

## Delegate W. Fisher

Chapter 513

ESTATES AND TRUSTS – WILLS – CUSTODIANSHIP

Requiring a person having custody of a will to maintain custody of the will, except under certain circumstances; prohibiting the custodian of a will from taking certain actions related to the will, except under certain circumstances; authorizing the custodian of a will to deposit the will for safekeeping with a certain register of wills under certain circumstances; requiring the custodian of a will to deliver the will to certain persons under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## HB 1048

## **Delegate Wilkins**

Chapter 514

ELECTION LAW – VOTING – PERMANENT ABSENTEE BALLOT LIST, BALLOT DROP BOXES, AND REPORTS

Requiring a local board of elections to designate ballot drop box locations; requiring each local board to submit the proposed locations to the State Administrator of Elections for approval; requiring a local board to ensure the security of ballot drop boxes; requiring the State Board to establish certain chain of custody procedures related to the ballot drop boxes; requiring that certain guidelines for absentee voting established by the State Board of Elections provide for a permanent absentee ballot list; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

#### **Delegate Palakovich Carr** HB 804

Chapter 515

TAXES WHISTLEBLOWER REWARD PROGRAM AND STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR TAX COLLECTIONS

Establishing a certain whistleblower reward program within the Office of the Comptroller; providing that a certain whistleblower who voluntarily provides certain information to the Comptroller shall be entitled to receive a certain monetary award under certain circumstances; providing for the determination and allocation of the amount of an award if two or more whistleblowers are eligible for the award; providing that the determination of the amount of the award shall be solely in the discretion of the Comptroller; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### HB 712 Delegate D. Jones

Chapter 516

BUREAU OF REVENUE ESTIMATES – TAX INCIDENCE STUDY SCOPE AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL ASSISTANCE

Altering the scope of certain tax incidence studies submitted by the Bureau of Revenue Estimates; requiring certain governmental units involved in the implementation or administration of taxes and charges evaluated in the study to provide promptly to the Bureau any information requested by the Bureau and otherwise cooperate with the Bureau in order to assist the Bureau in preparing certain tax incidence studies; and applying the Act to studies submitted after September 30, 2021.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### SB 591 **Senators Zucker and Elfreth**

Chapter 517

BUREAU OF REVENUE ESTIMATES - TAX INCIDENCE STUDY - SCOPE AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL ASSISTANCE

Altering the scope of certain tax incidence studies submitted by the Bureau of Revenue Estimates; requiring governmental units involved in the implementation or administration of the taxes and charges evaluated in the study to provide promptly any information requested to the Bureau and otherwise cooperate with the Bureau in order to assist the Bureau in preparing certain tax incidence studies; and applying the Act to studies submitted after September 30, 2021.

# HB 901 Delegate Bartlett (By Request – Anne Arundel County Chapter 518 Administration)

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – HOTEL TAX ALTERATIONS – DISTRIBUTION OF REVENUE

Requiring 3% of the hotel tax revenue generated in the City of Annapolis to be distributed to a special fund to be used only to fund the Annapolis Art in Public Places Commission; requiring 3% of the hotel tax revenue generated in the City of Annapolis to be distributed to a certain fund for housing assistance payments; requiring the Commission to report by November 1 each year on its use of the hotel tax revenue during the preceding fiscal year to the Mayor and the City Council and to certain committees of the General Assembly; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

# SB 529 Senator Elfreth (By Request – Anne Arundel County Chapter 519 Administration)

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – HOTEL TAX ALTERATIONS – DISTRIBUTION OF REVENUE

Requiring 3% of the hotel tax revenue generated in the City of Annapolis to be distributed to a special fund to be used only to fund the Annapolis Art in Public Places Commission; requiring 3% of the hotel tax revenue generated in the City of Annapolis to be distributed to a certain fund to be used only for housing assistance payments; requiring the Commission to report annually on its use of the hotel tax revenue during the preceding fiscal year to the Mayor, the City Council, and certain committees of the General Assembly; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 539 Delegate Buckel

Chapter 520

HISTORIC REVITALIZATION TAX CREDIT – CERTIFIED HISTORIC STRUCTURE AND SINGLE–FAMILY, OWNER–OCCUPIED RESIDENCE – DEFINITIONS

Altering the definitions of "certified historic structure" and "single–family, owner–occupied residence" to include a certain structure that is located on property that is owned by the Department of Natural Resources or one of its units and occupied by a person under an agreement with the Department by which the person pays for rehabilitation of the structure as a condition of occupancy; applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## SB 447 Senator Edwards

Chapter 521

HISTORIC REVITALIZATION TAX CREDIT – CERTIFIED HISTORIC STRUCTURE AND SINGLE–FAMILY, OWNER–OCCUPIED RESIDENCE – DEFINITIONS

Altering the definitions of "certified historic structure" and "single-family, owner-occupied residence" to include a certain structure that is located on property that is owned by the Department of Natural Resources or one of its units and occupied by a person under an agreement with the Department by which the person pays for rehabilitation of the structure as a condition of occupancy; applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## SB 914 Senator McCray

Chapter 522

## SHERIFF OF BALTIMORE CITY

Authorizing all full—time sworn law enforcement officers who are deputy sheriffs at the rank of lieutenant or below and court security officers in Baltimore City to collectively bargain with the Secretary of Budget and Management and the Sheriff of Baltimore City; requiring the Sheriff and the Secretary to recognize an exclusive representative for the purpose of collective bargaining; authorizing the Sheriff, the Secretary, and the exclusive representative to select the number of individuals designated to represent the respective parties; etc.

#### SB 686 **Senator Smith**

Chapter 523

**REAL PROPERTY** CONDOMINIUMS. **HOMEOWNERS** ASSOCIATIONS, AND **COOPERATIVE** HOUSING CORPORATIONS – VIRTUAL MEETINGS

Authorizing the governing body of a condominium, homeowners association, or cooperative housing corporation, notwithstanding language contained in certain governing documents, to authorize certain meetings to be conducted or attended by certain electronic means under certain circumstances; authorizing certain individuals who attend a meeting by certain electronic means to be deemed present for quorum and voting purposes; authorizing certain matters to be set for a vote at a certain virtual meeting; etc. EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

#### HB 1023 **Delegate Holmes**

Chapter 524

**REAL PROPERTY** CONDOMINIUMS, HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS. **AND** COOPERATIVE HOUSING CORPORATIONS – VIRTUAL MEETINGS

Authorizing the governing body of a condominium, homeowners association, or cooperative housing corporation, notwithstanding language contained in the governing documents of the Corporation, to authorize certain meetings to be conducted or attended by certain electronic means; authorizing certain individuals who attend a meeting by certain electronic means to be deemed present for quorum and voting purposes; authorizing certain matters to be set for a vote at a certain virtual meeting under certain circumstances; etc. EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

#### HB 681 **Delegate Buckel**

Chapter 525

TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE MARYLAND ORPHANS' COURTS

Establishing the Task Force to Study the Maryland Orphans' Courts; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to examine the composition and purpose of the orphans' courts in Maryland and make recommendations about how to improve the orphans' courts in Maryland; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before January 1, 2022; etc.

HB 92

## **Delegate Luedtke**

Chapter 526

PROCUREMENT – INVASIVE PLANT SPECIES – PROHIBITION ON USE OF STATE FUNDS

Prohibiting, subject to a certain exception, the use of State funds to purchase or plant an invasive plant species for an outdoor project on or after July 1, 2022; and providing that the prohibition does not apply if the plant species is commonly used for agricultural or horticultural purposes and is being maintained for the purposes of education or research.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### HB 185

## Delegate T. Branch

Chapter 527

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – ON–SALES – REQUIRED MULTIPLE PURCHASES

Prohibiting an alcoholic beverages license holder or an employee of a license holder from requiring, as a condition of sale of an alcoholic beverage for on—premises consumption, that an individual buy more than one bottle, container, or other serving at a time; and establishing certain penalties for a violation of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### HB 256

## Delegate Rosenberg, et al

Chapter 528

BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES – HOURS OF SALE

Establishing hours of sale for a holder of a Class B–D–7 beer, wine, and liquor license from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. along the south side of Frederick Avenue between South Augusta Avenue and South Loudon Avenue in Baltimore City.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 632

## **Delegate Beitzel**

Chapter 529

GARRETT COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ACT OF 2021

Repealing certain requirements that the Board of License Commissioners for Garrett County charge a one—time issuing fee for certain licenses; and altering the types of alcoholic beverages that a license holder may purchase from a wholesaler or a retailer in Garrett County.

## SB 451 Senator Edwards

Chapter 530

GARRETT COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ACT OF 2021

Repealing certain requirements that the Board of License Commissioners for Garrett County charge a one—time issuing fee for certain licenses; and altering the types of alcoholic beverages that a license holder may purchase from a wholesaler or a retailer in Garrett County.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 432 Montgomery County Delegation

Chapter 531

MONTGOMERY COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – DRAFT BEER FOR OFF–SITE CONSUMPTION IN DAMASCUS MC 12–21

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Montgomery County to issue a refillable container permit for draft beer or a nonrefillable container permit for draft beer to a holder of a Class H beer and wine license if the licensed establishment is in Damascus. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 430 Montgomery County Delegation

Chapter 532

MONTGOMERY COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – SEATING REQUIREMENTS MC 11–21

Repealing requirements for a minimum seating capacity of 200 and maximum seating capacity of 1,499 individuals for a BWL Community Performing Arts Facility license for alcoholic beverages in Montgomery County.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

# HB 323 Delegate Arentz

Chapter 533

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – REPEAL OF PLACE OF WORSHIP PROHIBITION

Repealing a prohibition on the Board of License Commissioners for Queen Anne's County from issuing a license to an establishment located within 500 feet of a place of worship.

## SB 855 Senator Hershey

Chapter 534

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – REPEAL OF PLACE OF WORSHIP PROHIBITION

Repealing a prohibition on the Board of License Commissioners for Queen Anne's County from issuing a license to an establishment located within 500 feet of a place of worship.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 349 Delegate Arentz

Chapter 535

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – UNANNOUNCED VISITS BY INSPECTORS

Decreasing the frequency, from 60 to 180 days, for when an alcoholic beverages inspector is required to make an unannounced visit to licensed premises in Queen Anne's County.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## SB 854 Senator Hershey

Chapter 536

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – UNANNOUNCED VISITS BY INSPECTORS

Decreasing the frequency, from 60 to 180 days, for when an alcoholic beverages inspector is required to make an unannounced visit to licensed premises in Queen Anne's County.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 312 Delegate Reilly

Chapter 537

HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – ASSISTED LIVING PROGRAM LICENSE

Establishing a Class ALP (assisted living program) beer, wine, and liquor license in Harford County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Harford County to issue the license to a manager of an assisted living program, but not more than five ALP licenses to a person; authorizing the license holder to provide beer and wine for on–premises consumption by a resident or guest; authorizing the license holder to store liquor, prepare mixed drinks, and serve liquor or mixed drinks; specifying a license fee of \$3,500; etc.

#### SB 386

## **Harford County Senators**

Chapter 538

HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – ASSISTED LIVING PROGRAM LICENSE

Establishing a Class ALP (assisted living program) beer, wine, and liquor license in Harford County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Harford County to issue the license to a manager of an assisted living program, but not more than five Class ALP licenses to a person; authorizing the license holder to provide beer and wine for on–premises consumption by a resident or guest; authorizing the license holder to store liquor, prepare mixed drinks, and serve liquor or mixed drinks; establishing a license fee of \$3,500; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 1100

## **Harford County Delegation**

Chapter 539

HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – GIFT BASKET PERMIT

Establishing, in Harford County, a gift basket permit; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Harford County to issue the permit to a person whose business includes the sale and delivery of gift baskets; providing that a permit holder is subject to certain alcohol awareness training requirements; limiting the total annual sales from alcoholic beverages to 10% of the annual gross sales of the permit holder; establishing a permit fee of \$100; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### SB 390

#### **Senator Gallion**

Chapter 540

HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – GIFT BASKET PERMIT

Establishing, in Harford County, a gift basket permit; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Harford County to issue the permit to a person whose business includes the sale and delivery of gift baskets; providing that a permit holder is subject to certain alcohol awareness training requirements; limiting the total annual sales from alcoholic beverages to 10% of the annual gross sales of the permit holder; establishing a permit fee of \$100; etc.

## HB 1059

## Allegany County Delegation and Garrett County Delegation

Chapter 541

AND GARRETT ALLEGANY COUNTIES ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – GIFT BASKET PERMITS

Establishing, in Allegany County and Garrett County, gift basket permits; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Allegany County to issue a gift basket permit to certain persons; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Garrett County to issue a gift basket permit to certain persons; prohibiting each of the Boards from issuing the permit for certain uses; providing that the permit authorizes a permit holder to sell and deliver gift baskets containing beer, wine, or liquor to certain individuals; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### SB 731

#### **Senator Edwards**

Chapter 542

ALLEGANY AND **GARRETT** COUNTIES ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – GIFT BASKET PERMITS

Establishing, in Allegany County and Garrett County, gift basket permits; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Allegany County to issue a gift basket permit to certain persons; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Garrett County to issue a gift basket permit to certain persons; prohibiting each of the Boards from issuing the permit for certain uses; providing that the permit authorizes a permit holder to sell and deliver gift baskets containing beer, wine, or liquor to certain individuals; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### HB 1018

## **Charles County Delegation**

Chapter 543

CHARLES COUNTY - ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - CLASS 4 LIMITED WINERY LICENSE

Exempting a holder of a Class 4 limited winery license from a certain restriction on interactions with retailers in Charles County; and authorizing a holder of a Class 4 limited winery license to have a financial interest in a certain other license in Charles County. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### SB 833

## **Charles County Senators**

Chapter 544

CHARLES COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS 4 LIMITED WINERY LICENSE

Exempting a holder of a Class 4 limited winery license from a certain restriction on interactions with retailers in Charles County; and authorizing a holder of a Class 4 limited winery license to have a financial interest in a certain other license in Charles County. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 883

## **Allegany County Delegation**

Chapter 545

ALLEGANY COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS B–D BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE

Establishing a Class B–D beer, wine, and liquor license in Allegany County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Allegany County to issue a Class B–D license for use by a certain restaurant; authorizing a license holder to sell beer, wine, and liquor for on–premises consumption; requiring the license holder to submit a certain Food Alcohol Ratio Report to the Board once every licensing cycle; providing an annual licensing fee of \$700; prohibiting the issuance of more than two Class B–D licenses in a single year; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### SB 677

#### **Senator Edwards**

Chapter 546

ALLEGANY COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS B–D BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE

Establishing a Class B–D beer, wine, and liquor license in Allegany County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Allegany county to issue a Class B–D license for use by a certain restaurant; authorizing a license holder to sell beer, wine, and liquor for on–premises consumption; requiring the license holder to submit a certain Food Alcohol Ratio Report to demonstrate compliance with a certain annual gross sales requirement; prohibiting more than two Class B–D licenses from being issued in a single year; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### HB 679

## **Delegate Rogers**

Chapter 547

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS MT LICENSE

Establishing a Class MT (movie theater) beer and wine license in Arundel County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Anne Arundel County to issue the license to the owner of a movie theater who holds a crowd control training certification; authorizing a license holder to sell beer and wine to certain patrons at retail for on-premises consumption; specifying that a license holder may serve a patron only a single serving of beer or wine at a time, with a maximum of two servings of beer or wine per patron per day; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### SB 489

## Senators Beidle and Elfreth

Chapter 548

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS MT LICENSE

Establishing a Class MT (movie theater) beer and wine license in Arundel County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Anne Arundel County to issue the license to the owner of a movie theater who holds a crowd control training certification; authorizing a license holder to sell beer and wine to certain patrons at retail for on-premises consumption; specifying that a license holder may serve a patron only a single serving of beer or wine at a time, with a maximum of two servings of beer or wine per patron per day; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### HB 795

## Wicomico County Delegation

Chapter 549

WICOMICO COUNTY - ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - LICENSE ALTERATIONS

Repealing a requirement that a certain golf course have average daily receipts from the sale of food that exceed the average daily receipts from the sale of alcoholic beverages to be issued a certain Class B beer, wine, and liquor license by the Board of License Commissioners for Wicomico County; and authorizing the holder of a Class A beer, wine, and liquor license to sell alcoholic beverages on Sundays.

## SB 715 Senators Carozza and Eckardt

Chapter 550

WICOMICO COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LICENSE ALTERATIONS

Repealing a requirement that a certain golf course have average daily receipts from the sale of food that exceed the average daily receipts from the sale of alcoholic beverages to be issued a certain Class B beer, wine, and liquor license by the Board of License Commissioners for Wicomico County; and authorizing the holder of a Class A beer, wine, and liquor license to sell alcoholic beverages on Sundays. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 677 Delegate Bhandari

Chapter 551

BALTIMORE COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS – QUALIFICATIONS

Requiring that each member of the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore County be a resident and voter of Baltimore County. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## SB 38 Senator West

Chapter 552

BALTIMORE COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS – QUALIFICATIONS

Requiring that each member of the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore County be a resident and voter of Baltimore County. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 868 Delegate Smith

Chapter 553

BALTIMORE CITY – 45TH DISTRICT – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS B–D–7 LICENSE

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to issue a Class B–D–7 license in the 4800 block of Harford Road in the 45th alcoholic beverages district if the applicant meets certain requirements.

SB 547 Senator McCray

Chapter 554

BALTIMORE CITY – 45TH DISTRICT – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS B–D–7 LICENSE

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to issue a Class B–D–7 license in the 4800 block of Harford Road in the 45th alcoholic beverages district if the applicant meets certain requirements.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

HB 572 Delegate Clippinger

Chapter 555

BALTIMORE CITY – 46TH DISTRICT – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES

Authorizing the holder of a Class 9 limited distillery license and a 6–day Class D beer, wine, and liquor license to apply to the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to convert the existing Class D license to a 7–day Class D beer, wine, and liquor license in the 46th alcoholic beverages district; authorizing the Board to issue a Class B beer, wine, and liquor license and a Class D beer and light wine license in a certain area if a memorandum of understanding has been executed with Brewer's Hill Neighbors, Inc.; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

SB 426 Senator Ferguson

Chapter 556

BALTIMORE CITY – 46TH DISTRICT – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES

Authorizing the holder of a Class 9 limited distillery license and a 6-day Class D beer, wine, and liquor license to apply to the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to convert the existing Class D license to a 7-day Class D beer, wine, and liquor license in the 46th alcoholic beverages district; authorizing the Board to issue a Class B beer, wine, and liquor license and a Class D beer and light wine license in a certain area if a memorandum of understanding has been executed with Brewer's Hill Neighbors, Inc.; etc.

#### HB 1270

## **Frederick County Delegation**

Chapter 557

FREDERICK COUNTY – BARBERSHOP AND BEAUTY SALON BEER AND WINE LICENSES – ALTERATIONS

Increasing from 5 ounces to 12 ounces the amount of beer that a holder of a barbershop or beauty salon beer and wine license in Frederick County may provide to a barbershop or beauty salon customer for on—premises consumption.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## SB 694

## **Senator Young**

Chapter 558

FREDERICK COUNTY – BARBERSHOP AND BEAUTY SALON BEER AND WINE LICENSES – ALTERATIONS

Increasing from 5 ounces to 12 ounces the amount of beer that a holder of a barbershop or beauty salon beer and wine license in Frederick County may provide to a barbershop or beauty salon customer for on–premises consumption.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### HB 1272

## **Frederick County Delegation**

Chapter 559

FREDERICK COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – ALCOHOL BY VOLUME – WINE

Altering the percentage of alcohol by volume that establishments holding certain alcoholic beverages licenses may serve in Frederick County to 22%.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### SB 792

#### **Senator Young**

Chapter 560

FREDERICK COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – ALCOHOL BY VOLUME – WINE

Altering the percentage of alcohol by volume that establishments holding certain alcoholic beverages licenses may serve in Frederick County to 22%.

HB 1242

**Frederick County Delegation** 

Chapter 561

**FREDERICK** ALCOHOLIC **COUNTY BEVERAGES** CONSUMPTION PERMITS

Establishing a beer and wine consumption permit and a beer, wine, and liquor consumption permit in Frederick County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Frederick County to issue the permits to holders of Class A alcoholic beverages licenses to allow for on-premises consumption of beer and wine; requiring an applicant for a permit to submit an application to the Board; authorizing the Board to issue a permit under certain circumstances; providing for the renewal of a permit; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

SB 793

**Senator Young** 

Chapter 562

**FREDERICK COUNTY** ALCOHOLIC **BEVERAGES** CONSUMPTION PERMITS

Establishing a beer and wine consumption permit and a beer, wine, and liquor consumption permit in Frederick County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Frederick County to issue the permits to holders of Class A alcoholic beverages licenses to allow for on-premises consumption of beer and wine; requiring an applicant for a permit to submit an application to the Board; authorizing the Board to issue a permit under certain circumstances; providing for the renewal of a permit; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

HB 1191

**Howard County Delegation** 

Chapter 563

HOWARD COUNTY - ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES INSPECTORS HO. CO. 03–21

Authorizing an alcoholic beverages inspector to issue a citation in Howard County; requiring an inspector to complete a training program in the use of arrest authority and pertinent police procedures; prohibiting an inspector from carrying a firearm in the performance of the inspector's duties; requiring the Howard County Police Department to employ certain inspectors, rather than requiring the Chief of the County Police Department to provide a sworn member of the County Police Department as an inspector; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### HB 1240

## **Frederick County Delegation**

Chapter 564

FREDERICK COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – STADIUM LICENSE

Altering the authorization of the holder of a stadium license in Frederick County to sell beer and wine in styrofoam containers on the licensed premises.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### SB 693

## **Senator Young**

Chapter 565

FREDERICK COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – STADIUM LICENSE

Altering the authorization of the holder of a stadium license in Frederick County to sell beer and wine in styrofoam containers on the licensed premises.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### HB 1151

## **Howard County Delegation**

Chapter 566

HOWARD COUNTY – CLASS A ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES – QUOTA BY ELECTION DISTRICT HO. CO. 02–21

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Howard County to issue up to six Class A licenses in each election district in the county; authorizing the Board to issue more than six Class A licenses in each election district in the county, provided that the total number of Class A licenses in any election district does not exceed one Class A license of any type for every 4,000 residents of the election district as determined by the latest census; and providing for the prospective application of the Act.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### HB 977

## **Prince George's County Delegation**

Chapter 567

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – PUBLIC SAFETY AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SURCHARGES – BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS PG 414–21

Renaming the Public Safety Surcharge in Prince George's County imposed for certain residential construction to be the Public Safety and Behavioral Health Surcharge; and providing for an exemption to the public safety and behavioral health surcharge.

#### HB 974

## **Prince George's County Delegation**

Chapter 568

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LICENSE SANCTIONS AND SUNDAY OFF–SALE PERMITS PG 317–21

Altering the alcoholic beverages licenses for which the Board of License Commissioners for Prince George's County may issue a Sunday off—sale permit; authorizing the Board to issue a Sunday off—sale permit to the holder of any Class A alcoholic beverages license, or to the holder of any Class B alcoholic beverages license with an off—sale privilege; altering a certain reinvestment requirement for an applicant for a Sunday off—sale permit; requiring the Board, by January 1, 2023, to conduct a study of Sunday off—sale permits; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### HB 771

## Delegate Queen

Chapter 569

PUBLIC SCHOOLS – CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION SURVEYS – REVISIONS

Requiring the State Department of Education, in coordination with the Maryland Department of Health, to establish a process for the administration of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Youth Risk Behavior Survey/Youth Tobacco Survey to public middle school and high school students in the State; requiring the State Department of Education, in coordination with the Maryland Department of Health, to include in the survey at least five questions on adverse childhood experiences or positive childhood experiences; etc.

#### SB 548

## **Senator Augustine**

Chapter 570

PUBLIC SCHOOLS – CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION SURVEYS – REVISIONS

Requiring the State Department of Education, in coordination with the Maryland Department of Health, to establish procedures for the administration of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Youth Risk Behavior Survey/Youth Tobacco Survey to public middle school and high school students in the State; requiring the State Department of Education, in coordination with the Maryland Department of Health, to include in the survey at least five questions on adverse childhood experiences or positive childhood experiences; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 692

## **Cecil County Delegation**

Chapter 571

CECIL COUNTY – BOARD OF EDUCATION – MEMBER TERMS AND COMPENSATION

Increasing to three the number of terms a voting member of the Cecil County Board of Education may serve; requiring the County Council of Cecil County to set the amount of compensation for members of the county board; altering the minimum amount of compensation the president and other voting members of the county board are entitled to receive; and providing that the Act does not apply to the compensation of the president or other voting members of the county board during a certain term of office.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## SB 823

## **Senators Gallion and Hershey**

Chapter 572

CECIL COUNTY – BOARD OF EDUCATION – MEMBER TERMS AND COMPENSATION

Increasing to three the number of terms a voting member of the Cecil County Board of Education may serve; requiring the County Council of Cecil County to set the amount of compensation for members of the county board; altering the minimum amount of compensation the president and other voting members of the county board are entitled to receive; and providing that the Act does not apply to the compensation of the president or other voting members of the county board during a certain term of office.

HB 56 Delegate Boyce

Chapter 573

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – LEAVE WITH PAY – BEREAVEMENT LEAVE

Authorizing employees of certain employers to use certain leave with pay for bereavement leave; defining the term "bereavement leave" as leave an employee is allowed to use on the death of a member of the employee's immediate family; and defining the term "child" for purposes of certain bereavement leave to include an adopted, biological, or foster child, a stepchild, or a legal ward.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

SB 473 Senator Washington

Chapter 574

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – LEAVE WITH PAY – BEREAVEMENT LEAVE

Authorizing employees of certain employers to use certain leave with pay for bereavement leave; defining the term "bereavement leave" as leave an employee is allowed to use on the death of a member of the employee's immediate family; and defining the term "child" for purposes of certain bereavement leave to include an adopted, biological, or foster child, a stepchild, or a legal ward.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

HB 1086 Delegate Kaiser

Chapter 575

MARYLAND TAX CREDIT EVALUATION ACT – ALTERATIONS

Requiring a unit of State government that administers a tax credit authorized after July 1, 2021, to report to the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee and the House Committee on Ways and Means on measures that the unit has taken to implement the credit; renaming the Tax Credit Evaluation Act to be the Tax Expenditure Evaluation Act; altering the purposes of the Act to include the legislative review of tax exemptions and preferences; etc.

## HB 1374

## Delegate B. Barnes

Chapter 576

PRIOR AUTHORIZATIONS OF STATE DEBT – ALTERATIONS

Amending certain prior authorizations of State Debt to alter the requirement that certain grantees provide certain matching funds; extending the termination date of certain grants; changing the locations of certain capital projects; altering the purposes of certain grants; changing the names of certain grantees; altering the authorized uses of certain grants; altering certain matching fund and expenditure requirements; repealing certain provisions that require grantees to provide and expend a certain matching fund; etc. EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

## SB 664

## **Senator Ellis**

Chapter 577

EDUCATION – STUDENT FINANCIAL AID – OUTREACH PLAN AND REPORTING

Requiring each county board of education to encourage and assist high school seniors to complete and submit certain financial aid forms by a certain deadline; requiring each county board to develop a certain outreach plan; requiring each county board, by October 1, 2022, and each October 1 thereafter, to send a copy of the plan to the State Department of Education, the Maryland Higher Education Commission, and certain committees of the General Assembly; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 1245

## **Delegate Washington**

Chapter 578

GUARANTEED ACCESS GRANT AND NEXT GENERATION SCHOLARS OF MARYLAND – ALTERATIONS

Altering the eligibility criteria for students in grade 9 or 10 to prequalify for a Guaranteed Access Grant under the Delegate Howard P. Rawlings Educational Excellence Award; requiring the Next Generation Scholars of Maryland Program to provide matriculation assistance to students entering an institution of higher education directly from high school; requiring the Governor to include an appropriation of \$5,000,000 in the annual budget bill for the Program for fiscal year 2023 and each fiscal year thereafter; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

# HB 891 Delegate D.M. Davis

Chapter 579

HIGHER EDUCATION – HUNGER–FREE CAMPUS GRANT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED

Establishing the Hunger–Free Campus Grant Program to address student hunger and basic food needs on campus; requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to administer the Program, develop a certain form, and designate certain campuses as hunger–free campuses; authorizing certain public institutions of higher education to develop certain procedures and make certain information publicly available; requiring the Governor, beginning in fiscal year 2023, to include in the annual budget bill a \$150,000 appropriation for the Program; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

# SB 767 Senator Washington

Chapter 580

HIGHER EDUCATION – HUNGER–FREE CAMPUS GRANT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED

Establishing the Hunger-Free Campus Grant Program to address student hunger and basic food needs on campus; requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to administer the Program, develop a certain form, and designate certain campuses as hunger-free campuses; authorizing certain public institutions of higher education to develop certain procedures and make certain information publicly available; requiring the Governor, beginning in fiscal year 2023, to include in the annual budget bill a \$150,000 appropriation for the Program; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### HB 658

## Delegate Qi

Chapter 581

TRANSFORMING MANUFACTURING IN A DIGITAL ECONOMY WORKGROUP (MAKING IT IN MARYLAND)

Establishing the Workgroup to Study the Transformation of Manufacturing in Maryland's Emerging Digital Economy; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Workgroup; requiring the Workgroup to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters relating to the State's current and future workforce and emerging digital economy; requiring the Workgroup to submit an interim report and a final report to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2021, and December 1, 2022, respectively.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## SB 444

## **Senator West**

Chapter 582

TRANSFORMING MANUFACTURING IN A DIGITAL ECONOMY WORKGROUP (MAKING IT IN MARYLAND)

Establishing the Workgroup to Study the Transformation of Manufacturing in Maryland's Emerging Digital Economy; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Workgroup; requiring the Workgroup to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters relating to the State's current and future workforce and emerging digital economy; requiring the Workgroup to submit an interim report and a final report to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2021, and December 1, 2022, respectively; etc.

# SB 636 Senator Hayes

Chapter 583

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION – PASSIVE HOUSE PILOT PROGRAM

Establishing the Passive House Pilot Program in the Department of Housing and Community Development to assist a nonprofit organization in partnership with neighboring high schools and institutes of higher education to provide students with career and technical educational experiences through the renovation of residential properties to become passive houses; requiring the Department to solicit proposals from nonprofit organizations that feature certain elements; requiring the Department to give priority to certain proposals; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

# SB 764 Chapter 584

# Senator Washington (Chair, Joint Committee on Ending Homelessness)

WORKGROUP ON ADAPTIVE REUSE OF VACANT COMMERCIAL SPACES

Establishing the Workgroup on Adaptive Reuse of Vacant Commercial Spaces to study the potential for conversion of vacant or underutilized commercial spaces into residential, mixed—use, and commercial spaces in order to increase the affordable housing stock in the State; requiring the Workgroup to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before November 30, 2021; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

### SB 931

#### Senator Jackson

Chapter 585

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – SCHOOL FACILITIES AND PUBLIC SAFETY SURCHARGES AND REPORT – SUNSET EXTENSION AND REPORT

Extending the date by which Prince George's County is required to report findings on the impact of the school facilities and public safety surcharges from December 1, 2020, to December 1, 2022; extending the termination date from June 30, 2021, to June 30, 2024, for certain provisions of law that reduce the school facilities surcharge for certain multifamily housing, exempt certain dwelling units from the surcharge, and authorize Prince George's County to conduct a certain review and take certain actions; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 320

# **Delegate Smith**

Chapter 586

MARYLAND LONGITUDINAL DATA SYSTEM – TRANSFER OF STUDENT DATA – MODIFICATIONS

Repealing certain provisions of law that require the Maryland Higher Education Commission to collect and provide to the Maryland Longitudinal Data System identifying information on certain business licensees and students; requiring certain licensing authorities that issue occupational or professional licenses to make every effort to comply with the data requirements and implementation schedule of the Maryland Longitudinal Data System, and to transfer student data in accordance with the data security and safeguarding plan; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### HB 1154

# Delegate C. Jackson

Chapter 587

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – ECONOMIC STABILIZATION ACT – ALTERATIONS

Prohibiting an employee from counting in the determination of a reduction in operations if the employee accepts an offer to transfer to any other site of employment within 30 days after being offered the transfer for purposes of certain provisions of law; altering the persons to whom an employer is required to provide certain notice of a reduction in operations; altering the information required to be included in a certain notice of a reduction in operations; exempting an employer from a certain notice requirement; etc.

#### SB 801

## **Senator Griffith**

Chapter 588

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – ECONOMIC STABILIZATION ACT – ALTERATIONS

Prohibiting an employee from counting in the determination of a reduction in operations if the employee accepts an offer to transfer to any other site of employment within 30 days of the offer, for the purposes of certain provisions of law; altering the persons to whom an employer is required to provide certain notice of a reduction in operations; altering the information required to be included in a certain notice of a reduction in operations; exempting an employer from a certain notice requirement under certain circumstances; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### HB 528

# St. Mary's County Delegation

Chapter 589

ST. MARY'S COUNTY – REPEAL OF IMPACT FEE – AUTHORIZATION OF BUILDING EXCISE TAX

Repealing the authority of the County Commissioners of St. Mary's County to impose a development impact fee to finance the cost of certain facilities required to accommodate new construction or development; authorizing the county commissioners to impose a building excise tax on any building construction in the county; requiring the county commissioners to specify the types of building construction that are subject to the tax; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

# HB 19

## **Delegate Holmes**

Chapter 590

RESIDENTIAL REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS – ESCROW AGENTS AND TRUST MONEY

Altering the definitions of "escrow agent" and "trust money" for purposes of a requirement that an escrow agent enter into a certain agreement with the seller and the buyer of residential real estate when the escrow agent agrees to hold trust money; defining "residential real estate" as real property improved by four or fewer single—family dwellings intended for human habitation and unimproved real property zoned for residential use; etc.

# HB 307 Delegate Rosenberg

Chapter 591

MARYLAND TECHNOLOGY INTERNSHIP PROGRAM - QUALIFICATIONS FOR PARTICIPATION – ALTERATIONS

Expanding the definition of "technology—based business" to include a technology—based nonprofit organization exempt from taxation under § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code for purposes of the Maryland Technology Internship Program; and altering from 3.0 to 2.5 the cumulative grade point average that a certain individual must maintain or have maintained during a certain academic year to qualify for participation in the Maryland Technology Internship Program.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

# HB 399 Delegate Krimm

Chapter 592

REAL PROPERTY – REQUIRED NOTICES FOR CONTRACTS OF SALE – ZONES OF DEWATERING INFLUENCE

Requiring the Department of the Environment to develop and publish on its website a searchable map of zones of dewatering influence; defining "zones of dewatering influence" as the area around a surface mine in karst terrain; requiring a contract for the sale of real property in Baltimore County, Carroll County, Frederick County, or Washington County to include a notice about property located in a certain zone; establishing that a purchaser of real property that does not receive the required notice has a right to rescind a contract; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

# HB 541 Montgomery County Delegation

Chapter 593

MONTGOMERY COUNTY – RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY SALES – SCHOOL DISTRICT INFORMATION MC 01–21

Requiring a contract for the sale of single-family residential real property in Montgomery County to contain a notice that school boundaries designated for the property may be subject to change; and establishing that a certain contract may not be voided under certain circumstances.

# HB 366 Delegates Cardin and Crutchfield

Chapter 594

DISTRICT COURT COMMISSIONERS – ARREST WARRANTS – RECALL AND ISSUANCE OF A SUMMONS

Authorizing a judge of the District Court or a judge of a circuit court, on a finding of good cause, to recall an arrest warrant issued by a District Court commissioner and issue a summons in its place. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## SB 862 Senator Waldstreicher

Chapter 595

ARREST WARRANTS ISSUED BY DISTRICT COURT COMMISSIONERS – RECALL BY JUDGE

Authorizing a judge of the District Court or judge of a circuit court, on a finding of good cause, to recall an arrest warrant issued by a District Court commissioner and issue a summons in its place. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

# HB 1187 Delegate Clippinger

Chapter 596

JUVENILE LAW – JUVENILE JUSTICE REFORM

Requiring the Governor, beginning in fiscal year 2023, to appropriate at least \$2,000,000 in the annual budget bill for a grant to Roca Baltimore, LLC; requiring the Juvenile Justice Reform Council to submit a supplemental report on its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by October 1, 2021; and extending the termination date of the Council to June 30, 2022. EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

# HB 316 Delegate Smith

Chapter 597

CONDITIONS OF PRETRIAL RELEASE – HOME DETENTION MONITORING

Exempting certain defendants placed in private home detention as a condition of pretrial release from the requirement to pay a monitoring fee if the defendant qualifies as an indigent individual or if a home detention monitoring device is provided by the State or a local jurisdiction; establishing the Workgroup on Home Detention Monitoring to study and make recommendations regarding the costs and availability of both publicly and privately provided pretrial home detention monitoring systems; requiring a certain report; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

# SB 670 Senator Waldstreicher

Chapter 598

COURTS - CIVIL JURY TRIALS - AMOUNT IN CONTROVERSY

Increasing from \$15,000 to \$25,000 the maximum amount in controversy in a civil action in which a party may not demand a jury trial; providing for the construction and application of the Act; and making the Act contingent on the passage and ratification of a certain constitutional amendment.

CONTINGENT

# HB 368 Delegate Bagnall

Chapter 599

TASK FORCE ON ORAL HEALTH IN MARYLAND

Establishing the Task Force on Oral Health in Maryland to study access to dental services for all State residents with a focus on socioeconomic status, race, ethnicity, age, and disabilities, identify areas lacking in services, identify barriers to receiving services including the impact of implicit bias, race, ethnicity, and socioeconomic status, and make recommendations on methods to increase access to dental services; requiring the Task Force to submit a final report by December 1, 2022; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

# SB 100 Senator Kelley, et al

Chapter 600

TASK FORCE ON ORAL HEALTH IN MARYLAND

Establishing the Task Force on Oral Health in Maryland to study access to dental services for all State residents, identify areas lacking in dental services for a significant number of people, identify barriers to receiving services, analyze the impact of barriers, assess options to eliminate barriers, and make recommendations on methods to increase access to dental services; requiring the Task Force to submit an interim report by May 1, 2022, and a final report by December 1, 2022, to the Governor and certain committees of the General Assembly; etc.

HB 1127

Delegate Beitzel

Chapter 601

GARRETT COUNTY – MEMORIAL HOSPITAL – BOARD MEMBERSHIP AND MEETINGS

Altering the membership of the Board of Governors of the Garrett County Memorial Hospital; altering the terms of the members of the Board; and reducing the mandatory number of Board meetings from 10 to 6.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

SB 804

**Senator Edwards** 

Chapter 602

GARRETT COUNTY – MEMORIAL HOSPITAL – BOARD MEMBERSHIP AND MEETINGS

Altering the membership of the Board of Governors of the Garrett County Memorial Hospital; altering the terms of the members of the Board; and reducing the mandatory number of Board meetings from 10 to 6.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

HB 299

**Delegate Carr** 

Chapter 603

STATE BOARD OF PHYSICIANS – GENETIC COUNSELORS – LICENSING

Requiring the State Board of Physicians to license genetic counselors; providing that provisions of the Act do not limit the right of certain individuals to practice certain occupations; establishing the Genetic Counseling Advisory Committee within the Board; requiring individuals, on or after January 1, 2024, to be licensed by the Board as genetic counselors before practicing genetic counseling in the State; requiring the Board to issue a supervised genetic counselor license to certain applicants on or after January 1, 2024; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2022

#### **SB** 34

## **Senator Lam**

Chapter 604

STATE BOARD OF PHYSICIANS - GENETIC COUNSELORS -LICENSING

Requiring the State Board of Physicians to license genetic counselors; providing that provisions of the Act do not limit the right of certain individuals to practice certain occupations; establishing the Genetic Counseling Advisory Committee within the Board; requiring individuals, on or after January 1, 2024, to be licensed by the Board as genetic counselors before practicing genetic counseling in the State; requiring the Board to issue a supervised genetic counselor license to certain applicants on or after January 1, 2024; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2022

## HB 1148

# **Delegate Cullison**

Chapter 605

SECRETARY OF HEALTH \_ SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH CENTERS – GUIDELINES AND ADMINISTRATION OF GRANTS

Requiring the Secretary of Health, in consultation with the State Department of Education and other stakeholders, to develop guidelines to support the expansion of school-based health centers; requiring the Governor to transfer the administration of school-based health center grants from the State Department of Education to the Bureau of Maternal and Child Health within the Maryland Department of Health on or before July 1, 2022; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## **SB** 830

#### Senator Lam

Chapter 606

**SECRETARY** OF HEALTH SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH CENTERS - GUIDELINES AND ADMINISTRATION OF GRANTS

Requiring the Secretary of Health, in consultation with the State Department of Education and other stakeholders, to develop certain guidelines for school-based health centers; requiring the Governor to transfer the administration of school-based health center grants from the State Department of Education to the Bureau of Maternal and Child Health within the Maryland Department of Health on or before July 1, 2022; etc.

# HB 30

# **Delegate Korman**

Chapter 607

OFFICE OF PEOPLE'S COUNSEL – ALTERATIONS (OFFICE OF PEOPLE'S COUNSEL ENVIRONMENTAL REFORM ACT)

Altering the maximum amount that may be charged to a public service company for a State fiscal year; requiring the Office of the People's Counsel to hire at least one assistant people's counsel to focus on environmental issues; authorizing the Office to retain or hire experts in the field of climate change; requiring the Office to consider the public safety, economic welfare, and environmental interests of the State and its residents in determining whether a matter affects the interests of residential and noncommercial users; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### HB 630

# **Delegate Solomon**

Chapter 608

PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION – SCHOOL DISTRICT ENERGY USE – POLICY AND STUDY

Requiring each school district to adopt or update a school district energy policy beginning July 1, 2022; specifying the contents of a school district energy policy; encouraging school districts to set targets to increase the school district's use of renewable energy and reduce the school district's greenhouse gas emissions; requiring that a school district energy policy be posted on the school district's website and updated every 3 years; requiring the development of a certain standardized reporting template for school districts; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### HB 815

## **Delegate Shoemaker**

Chapter 609

STATE AGRICULTURAL LAND TRANSFER TAX – APPLICATION OF NONAGRICULTURAL USE REDUCTION AND EXEMPTION

Clarifying that certain provisions of law concerning the method of calculating a certain reduction in the State agricultural land transfer tax apply to a transfer under a contract of sale dated on or after July 1, 2019; clarifying that a certain exemption from the State agricultural land transfer tax applies to a transfer under a contract of sale dated on or after July 1, 2019; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

# HB 391 Delegate Hartman, et al

Chapter 610

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT – PROHIBITION ON RELEASING A BALLOON INTO THE ATMOSPHERE

Prohibiting a person who is at least 13 years old, a corporation, a partnership, an association, a nonprofit entity, the State, or any unit or political subdivision of the State from knowingly and intentionally releasing, or causing to be released, a balloon into the atmosphere, with certain exceptions; prohibiting a person from organizing or participating in a mass balloon release of 10 or more balloons; requiring a certain unit of a local government with delegated enforcement authority to report certain violations; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

# SB 716 Senator Carozza, et al

Chapter 611

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT – PROHIBITION ON RELEASING A BALLOON INTO THE ATMOSPHERE

Prohibiting a person who is at least 13 years old, a corporation, a partnership, an association, a nonprofit entity, the State, or any unit or political subdivision of the State from knowingly and intentionally releasing, or causing to be released, a balloon into the atmosphere; prohibiting a person from organizing or participating in a mass balloon release; requiring a person who violates the Act to perform 6 hours of community service or watch a video on environmental damage or both; establishing a \$100 civil penalty; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

# HB 115 Delegate Moon

Chapter 612

VEHICLE LAWS – CANCELED, REVOKED, AND SUSPENDED DRIVER'S LICENSES – PENALTIES

Altering certain penalties for a person who displays a canceled, revoked, or suspended driver's license; and providing that a person who violates a certain section of the Act must appear in court and may not prepay the fine.

## SB 20 Senator Carter

Chapter 613

VEHICLE LAWS – CANCELED, REVOKED, AND SUSPENDED DRIVER'S LICENSES – PENALTIES

Altering certain penalties for a person who displays a canceled, revoked, or suspended driver's license; and providing that a person who violates a certain section of the Act must appear in court and may not prepay the fine.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

# HB 298 Delegate Charkoudian

Chapter 614

UTILITY REGULATION – CONSIDERATION OF CLIMATE AND LABOR

Requiring the Secretary of the Environment to prepare a certain recommendation in connection with certain issues considered by the Public Service Commission; requiring the Secretary of Natural Resources to incorporate an evaluation of the impact of certain electric power plants on climate change into the Power Plant Research Program; requiring the Commission to consider the maintenance of fair and stable labor standards and the protection of the global climate in supervising and regulating certain public service companies; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## SB 83 Senator Kramer

Chapter 615

UTILITY REGULATION – CONSIDERATION OF CLIMATE AND LABOR

Requiring the Secretary of the Environment to prepare a certain recommendation in connection with certain issues considered by the Public Service Commission; requiring the Secretary of Natural Resources to incorporate an evaluation of the impact of certain electric power plants on climate change into the Power Plant Research Program; requiring the Commission to consider the maintenance of fair and stable labor standards and the protection of the global climate in supervising and regulating certain public service companies; etc.

# HB 578 Delegate D.E. Davis

Chapter 616

PUBLIC UTILITIES - ANNUAL REPORTS

Altering the due dates of certain annual reports prepared by the Public Service Commission; and altering from December 1 to January 1 the due date of a certain report by the Department of Housing and Community Development relating to the Electric Universal Service Program.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

# SB 428 Senator Kelley

Chapter 617

PUBLIC UTILITIES – ANNUAL REPORTS

Altering the due dates of certain annual reports prepared by the Public Service Commission; and altering the due date from December 1 to January 1 of a certain report by the Department of Housing and Community Development relating to the Electric Universal Service Program.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

# HB 76 Delegate Love

Chapter 618

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL – INTERVENTION IN CIVIL ACTIONS – RIGHTS AND AUTHORITY

Providing that a person who meets the threshold standing requirements under the federal Clean Water Act has an unconditional right and authority to intervene in a civil action that the State initiates in State court to require compliance with certain water pollution control measures; requiring a person exercising a certain right of intervention to intervene in accordance with the applicable practices, procedures, and laws of the State; etc.

## SB 334 Senator Carter

Chapter 619

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL – INTERVENTION IN CIVIL ACTIONS – RIGHTS AND AUTHORITY

Providing that a person who meets certain threshold standing requirements under federal law has an unconditional right and authority to intervene in a civil action that the State initiates in State court to require compliance with certain water pollution control measures; requiring a person exercising a certain right of intervention to intervene in accordance with the applicable practices, procedures, and laws in the State; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

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# SB 114 Senator McCray

Chapter 620

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – EXPUNGEMENT OF CONVICTION AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENDER PENALTIES – DRIVING WHILE PRIVILEGE IS CANCELED, SUSPENDED, REFUSED, OR REVOKED

Authorizing a person to file a certain petition for expungement if the person is convicted of a certain misdemeanor involving driving while the person's license or privilege to drive is canceled, suspended, refused, or revoked; and providing that a person is subject to a certain enhanced penalty for a subsequent conviction for driving while the person's license or privilege to drive is canceled, suspended, refused, or revoked only in a certain circumstance.

# SB 616 Senator McCray

Chapter 621

BALTIMORE CITY – SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT – AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH

Authorizing a Baltimore City Soil Conservation District to be established and continued with boundaries corresponding to the boundaries of Baltimore City.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### **Delegate Stewart** HB 1069

Chapter 622

WATER SUPPLY - PRIVATE WELL SAFETY PROGRAM

Requiring an owner of residential rental property that is served by a private water supply well to provide water quality testing every 3 years and to disclose to a tenant certain results; requiring the owner of a residential rental property that is served by a private water supply well to notify the Department of the Environment and the local health department about well contamination, provide an on-going potable water supply and resolve the contamination within 60 days; providing a civil penalty of up to \$1,000; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### **Calvert County Delegation** HB 1160

Chapter 623

**CALVERT** COUNTY - LONG-TERM CONTRACTS FOR CELLULAR TOWER LEASES

Authorizing Calvert County to enter into a contract for a cellular tower lease, including a cellular tower lease on a water tower, if the initial term of the lease is not more than 20 years. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### Delegate R. Watson HB 584

Chapter 624

PUBLIC UTILITIES - NET ENERGY METERING

Prohibiting the Public Service Commission from prohibiting the construction or operation of multiple net metered solar generating facilities located on contiguous lots that are owned by a local government solely because the capacity of the combined net metering systems exceeds the 2 megawatt limit under certain circumstances. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### SB 508 **Senator Peters**

Chapter 625

PUBLIC UTILITIES - NET ENERGY METERING

Prohibiting the Public Service Commission from prohibiting the construction or operation of multiple net metered solar generating facilities located on separate contiguous lots that are owned by a local government solely because the capacity of the combined net metering systems exceeds the 2 megawatt limit under certain circumstances. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

# HB 208 Delegates Healey and Stein

Chapter 626

AGRICULTURE – NEONICOTINOID PESTICIDES – SALE AND STORAGE

Restricting a person that sells a neonicotinoid pesticide under certain provisions of law to selling a neonicotinoid pesticide only to a certain certified applicator or farmer; and requiring a person selling a neonicotinoid pesticide to store each neonicotinoid pesticide in a manner that is inaccessible to customers without the assistance from the person or an employee of the person.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

# SB 375 Senator Kagan

Chapter 627

AGRICULTURE – NEONICOTINOID PESTICIDES – SALE AND STORAGE

Restricting a person that sells a neonicotinoid pesticide under certain provisions of law to selling a neonicotinoid pesticide only to a certain certified applicator or farmer; and requiring a person selling a neonicotinoid pesticide to store each neonicotinoid pesticide in a manner that is inaccessible to customers without the assistance from the person or an employee of the person.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

# HB 967 Delegate Bridges (By Request – Baltimore City Chapter 628 Administration)

BALTIMORE CITY – SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS – INTERSTATE 83

Authorizing the placement and use of not more than two speed monitoring systems on Interstate 83 in Baltimore City; requiring that fines collected as a result of violations enforced by the speed monitoring systems be used to assist in covering the cost of roadway improvements on Interstate 83 in Baltimore City; requiring a warning notice be mailed instead of a citation for a violation recorded by the system during the first 90 days of operation; requiring certain signage and a real—time display of a driver's traveling speed; etc. EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

# HB 784 Delegate Terrasa

Chapter 629

RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION – ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING

Requiring a builder of new housing units including single—family detached homes and townhomes or a builder's agent to provide each buyer or prospective buyer with the option to include on or in a garage, carport, or driveway an electric vehicle charging station or a dedicated electric line capable of providing at least Level 2 charging; requiring a certain builder or builder's agent to give to certain buyers and prospective buyers notice of certain options and information about certain rebate programs; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

# HB 501 Montgomery County Delegation and Prince George's County Chapter 630 Delegation

WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION – BOARD OF ETHICS – FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS – LATE FEES MC/PG 102–21

Imposing a certain fee on certain persons subject to the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission ethics laws for filing certain financial disclosure statements late; and setting the amount of a late fee at \$5 for each day the filing is late, not to exceed a total of \$500. EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

# HB 280 Delegate Charkoudian

Chapter 631

MARYLAND RECYCLING ACT – RECYCLABLE MATERIALS AND RESOURCE RECOVERY FACILITIES – ALTERATIONS

Altering the definition of "recyclable materials" under the Maryland Recycling Act to exclude incinerator ash; and repealing the authority of a county to utilize a resource recovery facility to meet 5% of the waste reduction required to be achieved through recycling in the county's recycling plan.

## HB 1328

# **Delegate Feldmark**

# Chapter 632

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – BROADBAND PROVIDERS – JOINT TRENCHING AND FEE (BUILDING OUT BROADBAND ACT OF 2021)

Authorizing a county or municipal corporation to adopt certain policies to advance progress of infrastructure, equipment, and systems needed to extend broadband access to underserved areas; requiring the Department of Transportation and units of local government to allow joint trenching by broadband providers in a certain manner under certain circumstances; exempting counties and municipal corporations within the jurisdiction of the Washington Suburban Sanitary District from certain requirements; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

# SB 824

Chapter 633

# Senator Hester (Chair, Joint Cybersecurity, Information Technology, and Biotechnology Committee), et al

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – BROADBAND PROVIDERS – JOINT TRENCHING AND FEE (BUILDING OUT BROADBAND ACT OF 2021)

Authorizing a county or municipal corporation to adopt certain policies to advance progress of infrastructure, equipment, and systems needed to extend certain broadband access to underserved areas; requiring the Department of Transportation and units of local government to allow joint trenching by broadband providers under certain circumstances; exempting counties and municipal corporations within the jurisdiction of the Washington Suburban Sanitary District from certain requirements; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

HB 1207

**Delegate Bridges** 

Chapter 634

ENVIRONMENT – COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE AND SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES – REFORM

Altering the membership of the Commission on Environmental Justice and Sustainable Communities; requiring the Commission's membership to reflect the diversity of the State to the extent practicable; requiring the Commission to meet at least six times a year; requiring the Commission to host at least four community listening sessions a year; requiring the Commission to conduct its meetings and sessions in different geographic locations in the State; requiring the sessions and meetings of the Commission to be accessible to all attendees; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

SB 674

Senator Elfreth, et al

Chapter 635

ENVIRONMENT – COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE AND SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES – REFORM

Altering the membership of the Commission on Environmental Justice and Sustainable Communities; requiring the Commission's membership to reflect the diversity of the State to the extent practicable; requiring the Commission to meet at least six times a year; requiring the Commission to host at least four community listening sessions a year; requiring the Commission to conduct its meetings and sessions in different geographic locations in the State; requiring the sessions and meetings of the Commission to be accessible to all attendees; etc.

#### HB 397

# **Delegate Lierman**

Chapter 636

ELECTRICITY AND GAS – ENERGY SUPPLIERS – SUPPLY OFFERS

Requiring the Public Service Commission, by January 1, 2023, to establish an administrative process to approve supply offers for electricity or gas for households in the State that receive energy assistance through a program in the Office of Home Energy Programs; prohibiting, beginning on July 1, 2023, unless the Commission has approved the supply offer, a third–party retail supplier from offering to provide electricity or gas, renewing a certain contract, or charging a certain fee to certain households in the State; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## SB 31

## **Senator Washington**

Chapter 637

ELECTRICITY AND GAS – ENERGY SUPPLIERS – SUPPLY OFFERS

Requiring the Public Service Commission, by January 1, 2023, to establish an administrative process to approve supply offers for electricity or gas for households in the State that receive energy assistance through a program in the Office of Home Energy Programs; prohibiting, beginning on July 1, 2023, unless the Commission has approved the supply offer, a third–party retail supplier from offering to provide electricity or gas, renewing a certain contract, or charging a certain fee to certain households in the State; etc.

# HB 606 Delegate D.E. Davis

Chapter 638

ELECTRICITY AND GAS – LIMITED–INCOME MECHANISMS AND ASSISTANCE

Authorizing certain gas and electric utilities to adopt a limited—income mechanism to benefit certain eligible limited—income customers, subject to the approval of the Public Service Commission; expanding the electric universal service program to customers who are at least 67 years old with annual incomes at or below 200% of the federal poverty level; establishing a Workgroup on Low—Income Utility Assistance to examine the forms of federal, State, local, and private assistance available to low—income residential energy customers; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

# SB 392 Senator Augustine

Chapter 639

ELECTRICITY AND GAS – LIMITED–INCOME MECHANISMS AND ASSISTANCE

Authorizing certain gas and electric utilities to adopt a limited—income mechanism to benefit certain eligible limited—income customers, subject to the approval of the Public Service Commission; expanding the electric universal service program to customers who are at least 67 years old with annual incomes at or below 200% of the federal poverty level; establishing a Workgroup on Low—Income Utility Assistance to study low—income energy assistance programs; etc.

**EMERGENCY BILL** 

# HB 295 Delegates Love and Henson

Chapter 640

WATER POLLUTION – STORMWATER MANAGEMENT REGULATIONS AND WATERSHED IMPLEMENTATION PLANS – REVIEW AND UPDATE

Requiring the Department of the Environment to review and update certain regulations at least once every 5 years; requiring certain regulations to incorporate the most recent precipitation data available; requiring the Department to review and update certain regulations in a certain manner; requiring the Department to take certain actions at least 6 months before the proposal of regulations under the Act; altering the time by which the Department must hold a certain public hearing; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

## SB 227

# Senator Elfreth, et al

Chapter 641

WATER POLLUTION – STORMWATER MANAGEMENT REGULATIONS AND WATERSHED IMPLEMENTATION PLANS – REVIEW AND UPDATE

Requiring the Department of the Environment to update certain stormwater management regulations at least once every 5 years to incorporate certain updated precipitation data; requiring the Department to review and update certain regulations in a certain manner; requiring the Department to report to the General Assembly on the most recent precipitation data and the Department's plans for updating water quantity control standards for watersheds where flooding events occurred on or after January 1, 2000; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

## SB 888

## Senator Beidle

Chapter 642

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS – MARYLAND ROUTE 175 (JESSUP ROAD)

Authorizing the placement and use of speed monitoring systems on Maryland Route 175 (Jessup Road) in Anne Arundel County between the Maryland Route 175/295 interchange and the Anne Arundel County–Howard County line, subject to certain placement and signage requirements; requiring a certain real–time display of a driver's traveling speed for a speed monitoring system operating on Maryland Route 175 (Jessup Road) between the Maryland Route 175/295 interchange and the Anne Arundel County–Howard County line; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### SB 501

#### **Senator Beidle**

Chapter 643

TOWING OR REMOVAL OF VEHICLES FROM PARKING LOTS – PLACEMENT OF SIGNS – REGIONAL MALLS

Altering the standards for signage at a regional mall parking lot by requiring that, before being authorized to tow or remove a vehicle, the owner or operator of the parking lot must place certain signs at each entrance to the parking lot.

#### SB 901

## Senator Hester, et al

Chapter 644

PUBLIC SAFETY – EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT – RESILIENT MARYLAND REVOLVING LOAN FUND

Establishing the Resilient Maryland Revolving Loan Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; establishing the purpose of the Fund; authorizing uses for the Fund; requiring certain loans to be for a fixed period; requiring the Maryland Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) to administer the Fund; requiring MEMA to prioritize making loans to certain projects; exempting the Fund from a certain provision of law; requiring MEMA to prioritize making loans to projects it determines to have the greatest impact on eliminating hazards; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

## HB 991

# **Delegate Gilchrist**

Chapter 645

TREE SOLUTIONS NOW ACT OF 2021

Establishing the use of qualified conservation in a forest mitigation bank of all or a part of certain existing forests as a standard for meeting certain afforestation or reforestation requirements; altering the defined term "forest mitigation banking" to include the qualified conservation of forests; requiring the Harry R. Hughes Center for Agro–Ecology, in consultation with certain entities, to conduct a certain technical study; establishing the Urban Trees Program to be administered by the Chesapeake Bay Trust; etc.

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

#### SB 525

## Senator McCray

Chapter 646

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES AND STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS – CENTRALIZED BOOKING FACILITY – BALLOT DROP BOX

Requiring the Baltimore City centralized booking facility to provide a secure, designated ballot drop box for eligible voters in the facility and to monitor the ballot drop box 24 hours a day and 7 days a week; requiring the Baltimore City centralized booking facility to disseminate written notifications directly to each eligible voter in the facility on how and when to use the drop box; requiring the State Board of Elections to provide the Baltimore City centralized booking facility with certain materials and the ballot drop box; etc.

#### **Delegate Wilkins** HB 1350

Chapter 647

CAMPAIGN FINANCE - REVISIONS

Requiring a treasurer of a campaign finance entity to approve, rather than make, all disbursements for the entity; authorizing the chairman of a campaign finance entity to approve, rather than make, disbursements for the entity under certain circumstances; requiring a campaign finance entity that is liable for a certain civil penalty to submit certain bank statements with the campaign finance entity's campaign finance reports during a certain period; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

#### HB 130 Delegate Qi

Chapter 648

COMMISSION ON LGBTQ AFFAIRS – ESTABLISHED

Establishing the Commission on LGBTQ Affairs in the Governor's Office of Community Initiatives; providing for the appointment, qualifications, terms, removal, and resignation of Commission members; requiring the Commission to elect annually a chair and vice chair; authorizing the Commission to appoint a director; establishing that the director is a special appointment; requiring publication of an annual report to include recommendations on policies for LGBTQ adults and youth to end discriminatory practices in the State; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### SB 360 Senator Rosapepe

Chapter 649

STATE GOVERNMENT – NOTARIES PUBLIC – NOTARY PUBLIC FUND AND REMOTE NOTARIAL ACTS

Establishing the Notary Public Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; specifying that the purpose of the Fund is to provide funding to support the Secretary of State in the implementation, regulation, and enforcement of certain actions; requiring the Secretary of State to administer the Fund; requiring the State Treasurer to hold the Fund and the Comptroller to account for the Fund; specifying the contents of the Fund; specifying the purpose of the Fund; requiring the Secretary of State to distribute certain fees to the Fund; etc.

#### HB 1097

# St. Mary's County Delegation

Chapter 650

ST. MARY'S COUNTY - LOCAL OFFICIALS - SALARIES

Altering the salary of the members of the St. Mary's County Board of Education, the Chair of the St. Mary's County Board of Education, the Chief Judge of the Orphans' Court of St. Mary's County, the Associate Judges of the Orphans' Court for St. Mary's County, the Treasurer of St. Mary's County, the President of the County Commissioners of St. Mary's County, and the members of the County Commissioners of St. Mary's County; and providing for the application of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

# HB 1186

# **Delegate Clippinger**

Chapter 651

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL – FIREARM CRIME, INJURIES, FATALITIES, AND CRIME FIREARMS – STUDY EXTENSION

Altering certain dates by which the Office of the Attorney General is required to provide certain reports to the Governor and the General Assembly relating to firearm crimes, firearm injuries and fatalities, and crime firearms; authorizing the Office to access certain information from the District Court concerning certain protective orders for a certain purpose; requiring an additional report to be submitted by December 1, 2024 by the Office of the Attorney General under a certain Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

#### HB 871

## **Delegate Charles**

Chapter 652

CONSOLIDATION OF THE PROCUREMENT IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL AND THE COUNCIL FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATIONAL, AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Merging the Procurement Improvement Council and the Council for the Procurement of Health, Educational, and Social Services; requiring, by December 31, 2022, the Procurement Improvement Council to make recommendations to certain committees of the General Assembly on strategies and enforcement mechanisms to improve compliance by entities required to publish notices of procurements and awards of procurement on eMaryland Marketplace; declaring the intent of the General Assembly; etc.

#### SB 564

## **Senator Griffith**

Chapter 653

CONSOLIDATION OF THE PROCUREMENT IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL AND THE COUNCIL FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATIONAL, AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Merging the Procurement Improvement Council and the Council for the Procurement of Health, Educational, and Social Services; altering the duties and membership of the Procurement Improvement Council; requiring, by December 31, 2022, the Procurement Improvement Council to make recommendations to certain committees of the General Assembly on strategies and enforcement mechanisms to improve compliance by entities required to publish certain notices; declaring the intent of the General Assembly; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

# HB 113

# **Delegates Lierman and Korman**

Chapter 654

BOARD OF REVENUE ESTIMATES AND BUREAU OF REVENUE ESTIMATES – ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS

Requiring the Comptroller to appoint the Chief of the Bureau of Revenue Estimates from a list of at least three candidates reviewed and evaluated by the Revenue Monitoring Committee and the Consensus Revenue Monitoring and Forecasting Group; requiring a certain report of estimated State revenues to be reviewed and approved by the Committee before the estimates are formally adopted by the Board of Revenue Estimates; requiring the Bureau to submit the March revenue report to the Board by a certain date; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

# SB 314

# Senators McCray and Elfreth

Chapter 655

BOARD OF REVENUE ESTIMATES AND BUREAU OF REVENUE ESTIMATES – ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS

Requiring the Comptroller to appoint the Chief of the Bureau of Revenue Estimates from a list of at least three candidates reviewed and evaluated by the Revenue Monitoring Committee and the Consensus Revenue Monitoring and Forecasting Group; requiring a certain report of estimated State revenues to be reviewed and approved by the Committee before the estimates are formally adopted; requiring the Bureau to submit the March revenue report to the Board of Revenue Estimates by a certain date; etc.

#### **Delegates Luedtke and Griffith** HB 156

Chapter 656

STUDENT AND MILITARY VOTER EMPOWERMENT ACT

Requiring a local board of elections to obtain input from large residential communities including institutions of higher education, continuing care retirement communities, senior communities, and military installations when establishing precinct boundaries and designating polling places; establishing a process for certain voters to submit a federal post card application electronically which may allow the use of a common access card only for verification of identity and fulfillment of the signature requirement; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

#### SB 283 Senator Elfreth

Chapter 657

## STUDENT AND MILITARY VOTER EMPOWERMENT ACT

Requiring a local board of elections to obtain input from large residential institutional communities including institutions of higher education. continuing care retirement communities. communities, and military installations when establishing precinct boundaries and designating polling places; establishing a process for certain voters to submit a federal post card application electronically, which may allow the use of a common access card only for verification of identity and fulfillment of the signature requirement; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

#### HB 183 Delegate Lierman

Chapter 658

PUBLIC INFORMATION ACT - REVISIONS (EQUITABLE ACCESS TO RECORDS ACT)

Requiring each official custodian to adopt a policy of proactive disclosure of public records that are available for inspection; authorizing the official custodian to adopt a policy appropriate to the type of public record, to reflect the staff and resources of the governmental unit, and to include publication of public records on certain websites; altering the composition of the State Public Information Act Compliance Board; requiring the Board to receive, review, and resolve certain complaints from applicants; etc.

# SB 596 Senator Washington

Chapter 659

ELECTION LAW – EARLY VOTING CENTERS – HOURS OF OPERATION

Requiring early voting centers to be open during the hours between 7 a.m. and 8 p.m. each early voting day. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

# HB 206 Delegate Washington

Chapter 660

ELECTION LAW – EARLY VOTING CENTERS – HOURS OF OPERATION

Requiring early voting centers to be open during the hours between 7 a.m. and 8 p.m. during each early voting day. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

# HB 1152 Howard County Delegation

Chapter 661

HOWARD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS B BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE – OFF–PREMISES CONSUMPTION HO. CO. 04–21

Authorizing the holder of a certain Class B beer, wine, and liquor license in Howard County to sell beer, wine, and liquor in sealed containers for off–premises consumption, subject to certain requirements; repealing certain provisions that authorize the Board of License Commissioners for Howard County to issue a certain permit to a certain holder of a certain Class B beer, wine, and liquor license; and authorizing the Board to limit the quantity of alcoholic beverages sold in a single transaction for off–premises consumption. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### HB 1155

# **Howard County Delegation**

Chapter 662

HOWARD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – DELIVERY HO. CO. 01–21

Authorizing a holder of a Class A alcoholic beverages license in Howard County to deliver alcoholic beverages in the county; requiring that an employee making deliveries be at least 21 years old; requiring an individual receiving an alcoholic beverages delivery to provide certain proof of age; providing for the manner in which an individual receiving a delivery of alcohol provides proof of age; requiring the Board of License Commissioners for Howard County to approve a certain certification; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 1108

# **Delegate Wivell**

Chapter 663

WASHINGTON COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – SPECIAL EVENT PERMITS FOR WINERIES

Increasing from 32 to 60 the number of times per year a holder of a Class 3 winery license or a Class 4 limited winery license may use a certain special event permit in Washington County.

EMERGENCY BILL

# HB 1288

# **Delegate Amprey**

Chapter 664

BALTIMORE CITY – 40TH DISTRICT ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to issue a Class C beer, wine, and liquor license in certain areas of the 40th alcoholic beverages district in Baltimore City under certain circumstances; prohibiting certain license holders in certain areas of the 40th alcoholic beverages district in Baltimore City from selling alcoholic beverages before 10 a.m. or after 10 p.m., with certain exceptions; etc.

#### HB 529

# St. Mary's County Delegation

Chapter 665

ST. MARY'S COUNTY - ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - DISTILLERY ON-SITE CONSUMPTION PERMIT

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for St. Mary's County to grant an on-site consumption permit to the holder of a Class 1 distillery license in St. Mary's County; requiring an application for the permit to be made at least 30 days before use; and establishing an annual fee of \$650 for the permit.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## SB 739

# Senator Rosapepe

Chapter 666

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY - ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - BLX LICENSE

Providing that the requirement to obtain a certain entertainment permit does not apply to the holder of a certain license under certain circumstances; authorizing a certain license holder to offer entertainment when persons under the age of 21 years are on the licensed premises if the license holder enters into a certain agreement with certain persons and the lease of the property on which the licensed premises is located contains certain provisions; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## SB 472

## **Senator Washington**

Chapter 667

BALTIMORE CITY - ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DISTRICTS -LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTING PLAN REFERENCES

Updating certain provisions of law regarding Baltimore City alcoholic beverages districts to refer to the Legislative Districting Plan of 2012 rather than the corresponding plan of 2002; requiring the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to grant a certain exemption to certain persons under certain circumstances; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

# SB 490 Senator Beidle, et al

Chapter 668

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS – CHIEF INSPECTOR

Requiring the Board of License Commissioners for Anne Arundel County to employ a chief inspector; and providing for the salary of the chief inspector to be fixed by the Board as in a general county classified salary schedule, within nonrepresented pay schedule NR-05.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

# SB 787 Senator Ferguson

Chapter 669

DIGITAL ADVERTISING GROSS REVENUES, INCOME, SALES AND USE, AND TOBACCO TAXES – ALTERATIONS AND IMPLEMENTATION

Exempting, from a certain tax on annual gross revenues derived from digital advertising services in the State, advertisement services on digital interfaces owned or operated by or operated on behalf of a broadcast entity and news media entity; prohibiting a person who derives gross revenues from digital advertising in the State from passing on the cost to a certain customer; allowing, for a certain taxable year, a subtraction under the Maryland income tax for certain utility arrearages forgiven during that taxable year; etc.

# EMERGENCY BILL

Chapter 670

**HB** 44

**Delegate Fraser-Hidalgo** CLEAN CARS ACT OF 2021

Extending and altering, for fiscal years 2021 through 2023, the Electric Vehicle Recharging Equipment Rebate Program for the purchase of certain electric vehicles; increasing from \$1,200,000 to \$1,800,000 the amount of rebates that the Maryland Energy Administration may issue; requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration and the Maryland Department of the Environment to submit a report by January 15, 2022, to certain committees of the General Assembly providing information on proposed changes to the vehicle emissions inspection program; etc.

#### HB 685 Delegate Valderrama

Chapter 671

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – SECURE MARYLAND WAGE ACT

Requiring that certain employees working at a heightened security interest location be paid a certain wage for certain time periods; requiring certain employers to pay certain covered employees a certain supplement benefit rate in a certain manner beginning January 1, 2026; declaring findings of the General Assembly with regard to the ability to attract and retain qualified employees to heightened security locations; specifying that certain provisions of the Act do not diminish certain collective bargaining rights; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### SB 107 **Senator Hayes**

Chapter 672

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – SECURE MARYLAND WAGE ACT

Requiring that certain employees working at a heightened security interest location be paid a certain wage for certain periods of time; requiring certain employers to pay certain covered employees a certain supplement benefit rate in a certain manner beginning January 1, 2026; declaring findings of the General Assembly with regard to the ability to attract and retain qualified employees to heightened security locations; specifying that certain provisions of the Act do not diminish certain collective bargaining rights; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### SB 65 **Senator Kelley**

Chapter 673

ELECTRICITY RENEWABLE ENERGY PORTFOLIO STANDARD - TIER 2 RENEWABLE SOURCES, QUALIFYING BIOMASS, AND COMPLIANCE FEES

Altering the renewable energy portfolio standard for 2021 through 2030 and later; extending eligibility of certain Tier 2 renewable sources for purposes of the renewable energy portfolio standard in certain years; altering the compliance fee for a shortfall from the required percentage of energy from certain Tier 1 renewable sources for the renewable energy portfolio standard in certain years; altering the definition of "qualifying biomass" for certain purposes; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

# HB 15 Delegate Pena-Melnyk

Chapter 674

## CREATING GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS

Establishing the Governor's Office of Immigrant Affairs, subject to the availability of funding, to create a network of neighborhood—based centers providing immigrant services, assist law enforcement in combatting crimes against immigrants, and promote civic and economic participation among immigrant communities; requiring the Director to submit a report to the Governor and the General Assembly by June 15 each year describing calls received by the Office, the number of immigrants assisted and all other relevant information; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

# SB 85 Senator Rosapepe

Chapter 675

## CREATING GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS

Creating the Governor's Office of Immigrant Affairs, subject to the availability of funding, to establish a network of neighborhood—based centers providing immigrant services, assist law enforcement in combatting crimes against immigrants, and promote civic and economic participation among immigrants; requiring the Director to submit a report to the Governor and the General Assembly by June 15 each year describing calls received by the Office, the number of immigrants assisted, and all other relevant information; etc.

# EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

# SB 127 Chapter 676

# **Senators Patterson and Augustine**

# institutions of higher education – use of criminal history in admission – modifications

Prohibiting an institution of higher education from using certain third—party admissions application information about the criminal background of the applicant to deny admission; altering a certain process in using certain information about an applicant's criminal history to make a determination regarding the applicant's access to campus residency; and authorizing an institution of higher education to develop a process for determining or restricitng access to campus residency for certain students convicted of certain crimes.

## SB 800

#### **Senator Patterson**

Chapter 677

## INMATE TRAINING AND JOB ACT OF 2021

Establishing the Inmate Training and Job Pilot Program at certain institutions of postsecondary education to provide educational and vocational training opportunities for inmates in the 12 months preceding the inmate's date of release; requiring the Pilot Program to be administered by the Maryland Higher Education Commission and the governing entity of each institution; requiring the Division of Corrections and the Commission to develop a hybrid virtual and in–person learning environment in the system by June 1, 2022; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

# HB 421

# **Delegate Rosenberg**

Chapter 678

## TAX CLINICS FOR LOW-INCOME MARYLANDERS

Requiring, for fiscal years 2022 and 2023, the Comptroller to distribute \$250,000 of certain abandoned property funds to the Tax Clinics for Low–Income Marylanders Fund; establishing the Tax Clinics for Low–Income Marylanders Fund to provide grants to the University of Maryland School of Law, the University of Baltimore School of Law, and the Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service to operate tax clinics for low–income Marylanders; requiring the Comptroller to administer the Fund; authorizing the Governor to provide a certain appropriation; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## SB 480

## Senator Zucker

Chapter 679

## TAX CLINICS FOR LOW-INCOME MARYLANDERS

Requiring, for certain fiscal years, the Comptroller to distribute certain abandoned property funds to the Tax Clinics for Low–Income Marylanders Fund; establishing the Tax Clinics for Low–Income Marylanders Fund to provide grants to the University of Maryland School of Law, the University of Baltimore School of Law, and the Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service to operate tax clinics for low–income Marylanders; authorizing the Governor, beginning in fiscal year 2024, to include an appropriation to the Fund in the budget bill; etc.

# SB 201 Senators Patterson and Sydnor

Chapter 680

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – EXPUNGEMENT OF RECORDS

Requiring the expungement of certain records 3 years after a disposition of the charge if no charge in the case resulted in a disposition other than acquittal, dismissal, not guilty, or nolle prosequi, except nolle prosequi with a requirement of drug or alcohol treatment; requiring a court to send a certain notice; requiring a court to notify a certain defendant of certain information relating to expungement; requiring a court to mail a certain written form to a certain defendant; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

# HB 240 Delegate Shetty

Chapter 681

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – FORENSIC GENETIC GENEALOGICAL DNA ANALYSIS, SEARCHING, REGULATION, AND OVERSIGHT

Establishing that a certain forensic genetic genealogical DNA analysis and search may not be initiated without certifying certain information before a court and obtaining a certain authorization from the court; requiring a court to authorize the initiation of a certain forensic genetic genealogical DNA analysis and search if certain information is certified before the court; prohibiting certain biological samples subjected to certain forensic genetic genealogical profile analysis to be used to determine certain information about a certain donor; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

# SB 187 Senator Sydnor

Chapter 682

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – FORENSIC GENETIC GENEALOGICAL DNA ANALYSIS, SEARCHING, REGULATION, AND OVERSIGHT

Establishing that a certain forensic genetic genealogical DNA analysis and search may not be initiated without certifying certain information before a court and obtaining a certain authorization from the court; requiring a court to authorize the initiation of a certain forensic genetic genealogical DNA analysis and search if certain information is certified before the court; prohibiting certain biological samples subjected to a certain analysis to be used to determine certain information about a certain donor; etc.

## SB 943 Senator Guzzone

Chapter 683

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP ACT OF 2016 – APPROPRIATIONS, DEGREE AND CREDENTIAL PROGRAMS, AND CENTER FOR CYBERSECURITY

Establishing the Center for Cybersecurity at the University of Maryland Baltimore County to be housed within the College of Engineering and Information Technology and to provide certain assistance related to cybersecurity; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of at least \$3,000,000 for the Center; requiring the Center to report to the General Assembly by October 1 each year on the use of State funds for certain purposes in the field of cybersecurity; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 293 Delegate Stein

Chapter 684

NATURAL RESOURCES – ORGANIZED KILLING CONTESTS – RESTRICTION

Prohibiting a person from sponsoring, conducting, or participating in organized contests that have the objective of killing a coyote, fox, or raccoon for prizes or monetary awards; providing certain exceptions; establishing a \$50 fine for each coyote, fox, or raccoon killed in violation of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 1343 Delegate Kipke

Chapter 685

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEES – REPUBLICAN REQUIREMENTS

Altering the manner in which the members of the Anne Arundel County Republican Party Central Committee are elected. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### HB 1261

## Delegate W. Fisher

Chapter 686

WILLS, POWERS OF ATTORNEY, AND ADVANCE DIRECTIVES – ELECTRONIC EXECUTION

Altering certain provisions of law related to the execution of wills, powers of attorney, and advance directives to authorize the electronic execution and remote witnessing of those documents under certain circumstances; providing that a will, a power of attorney, a notarization of a power of attorney, or an advance directive executed in conformance with the provisions of certain executive orders shall be deemed to satisfy certain requirements under the Act; applying the Act retroactively; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### HB 1364

## **Delegate Crosby**

Chapter 687

HISTORIC ST. MARY'S CITY FORT TO 400 COMMISSION

Establishing the Historic St. Mary's City Fort to 400 Commission to plan and conduct observances in 2034 commemorating the 400th anniversary of Maryland's founding; requiring the membership of the Commission to reflect the diversity of the State to the extent practicable; requiring the Commission to meet at least twice a year; requiring the Commission to provide an update to the Governor and the General Assembly by November 1, 2022, and each year thereafter on the plan of action for the commemoration; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### SB 946

## Senator Bailey, et al

Chapter 688

HISTORIC ST. MARY'S CITY FORT TO 400 COMMISSION

Establishing the Historic St. Mary's City Fort to 400 Commission to plan and conduct observances commemorating the 400th year of Maryland's founding in 2034; requiring the membership of the Commission to reflect the diversity of the State to the extent practical; requiring the Commission to meet at least twice a year; requiring the Commission to provide an update to the Governor and the General Assembly by November 1, 2022, and each year thereafter on the plan of action for the commemoration; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### HB 562

## **Montgomery County Delegation**

Chapter 689

MONTGOMERY COUNTY – SPEED LIMITS – ESTABLISHMENT MC 02–21

Authorizing Montgomery County and municipalities of Montgomery County to decrease the maximum speed limit to not less than 15 miles per hour on highways only after performing an engineering and traffic investigation; and prohibiting Montgomery County and municipalities in Montgomery County from implementing a new speed monitoring system to enforce speed limits on certain highways. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### SB 661

#### **Senator Patterson**

Chapter 690

ENVIRONMENT – MARYLAND OIL DISASTER CONTAINMENT, CLEAN–UP AND CONTINGENCY FUND AND OIL CONTAMINATED SITE ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANUP FUND – FUNDING, REALLOCATION, REIMBURSEMENTS, AND STUDY

Altering the basis for calculating a certain license fee credited to the Maryland Oil Disaster Containment, Clean—Up and Contingency Fund and the Oil Contaminated Site Environmental Cleanup Fund; authorizing the Maryland Oil Disaster Containment, Clean—Up and Contingency Fund to be used, in fiscal years 2022 through 2029, to reimburse a certain residential owner of a heating oil tank; extending the date by which a residential owner may apply to the Oil Contaminated Site Environmental Cleanup Fund for reimbursement of certain costs; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 561

## Delegate D.E. Davis

Chapter 691

RENEWABLE ENERGY PORTFOLIO STANDARD – WASTEWATER HEATING OR COOLING SYSTEM

Expanding the types of energy sources that qualify as Tier 1 renewable sources under the renewable energy portfolio standard; adding certain wastewater used in certain manners to the definition of a "Tier 1 renewable source"; authorizing energy from a wastewater heating or cooling system to be eligible for inclusion in meeting the renewable energy portfolio standard under certain conditions; requiring the Public Service Commission to determine the energy savings of a wastewater heating or cooling system in a certain manner; etc.

## HB 532 Allegany County Delegation

Chapter 692

GAMING – VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITIES – PAYOUT PERCENTAGES, DISTRIBUTION OF PROCEEDS, AND BUILDING RESTRICTIONS

Altering certain minimum payout percentages of certain video lottery terminals; requiring the Comptroller to pay a certain amount from the State Lottery Fund as local impact grants to Anne Arundel County or Baltimore City under certain circumstances; altering the distribution of proceeds from video lottery terminals at certain facilities in certain counties; repealing a certain limitation on the holder of a video lottery operation license for Worcester County or certain other persons to build or convert certain lodging facilities; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## SB 137 Senator Zucker

Chapter 693

MARYLAND TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION – CONVERSION TO ZERO–EMISSION BUSES (ZERO–EMISSION BUS TRANSITION ACT)

Prohibiting, beginning in fiscal year 2023, the Maryland Transit Administration from purchasing buses for the Administration's State transit bus fleet that are not zero—emission buses, subject to a certain exception; authorizing the Administration to purchase alternative—fuel buses under certain circumstances; requiring the Administration, on or before January 1, 2022, and each January 1 thereafter, to submit a report to certain committees of the General Assembly on the implementation of the Act; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## SB 119 Senators Guzzone and Elfreth

Chapter 694

CLEAN WATER COMMERCE ACT OF 2021

Establishing the Clean Water Commerce Account within the Bay Restoration Fund; requiring the Department of the Environment to transfer \$20,000,000 from the Fund to the Account for certain purposes beginning in fiscal year 2022 and each year thereafter; altering the authorized uses of the Fund to include certain transfers to the Account; limiting the uses of the Account to the purchase environmental outcomes in support of the State's efforts to achieve the Chesapeake Bay total maximum daily load; etc.

#### **Delegate Stein** HB 507

Chapter 695

CLEAN WATER COMMERCE ACT OF 2021

Establishing the Clean Water Commerce Account within the Bay Restoration Fund; requiring the Department of the Environment to transfer \$20,000,000 from the Fund to the Account for certain purposes beginning in fiscal year 2022 and each year thereafter; altering the authorized uses of the Fund to include certain transfers to the Account; limiting the uses of the Account to the purchase of environmental outcomes in support of the State's efforts to achieve the Chesapeake Bay total maximum daily load; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

## HB 73 Chapter 696

## **Delegate Krimm**

STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION – TELEWORKING

Establishing the Office of Telework Assistance in the Department of Commerce to establish best practices for telework policies; establishing the Business Telework Assistance Grant Program to assist businesses in implementing telework policies; requiring each governing body of a county or municipality to establish telework programs; requiring the State Court Administrator, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House, and the presidents of public institutions of higher education to establish telework programs and guidelines; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### SB 732

#### **Senator Patterson**

Chapter 697

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - MARYLAND INNOVATION INITIATIVE UNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIP PILOT PROGRAM – **ESTABLISHMENT** 

Establishing the Maryland Innovation Initiative University Partnership Pilot Program within the Maryland Technology Development Corporation to expand opportunities for technology validation, entrepreneurial development, and industry engagement at eligible universities; requiring the Maryland Innovation Initiative within the Corporation to implement and administer the Pilot Program; authorizing Bowie State University and Frostburg State University to participate in the Pilot Program; etc.

#### SB 551

## Senator Rosapepe

Chapter 698

21ST CENTURY SCHOOL FACILITIES ACT AND BUILT TO LEARN ACT – REVISIONS

Requiring certain public school facilities projects to comply with a certain memorandum of understanding; prohibiting the Interagency Commission on School Construction from the unreasonable delay of certain approval under certain circumstances; adding roofs and pipe insulation to reduce condensation in order to prevent mold to the list of issues that require priority in awarding a grant under the Healthy Schools Facility Fund; requiring the Maryland Stadium Authority to use certain funds for certain purposes; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

#### SB 307

#### Senator Guzzone

Chapter 699

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – DIRECT CARE WORKFORCE INNOVATION PROGRAM

Establishing the Direct Care Workforce Innovation Program in the Division of Workforce Development and Adult Learning within the Maryland Department of Labor; requiring the Division to provide certain matching grants to certain entities to create and expand on successful recruitment and retention strategies that address certain barriers to increasing the population of direct care workers; requiring the Governor to include a \$250,000 appropriation in the annual budget bill for the Program; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### HB 1365

## **Delegate Korman**

Chapter 700

NONPUBLIC SPECIAL EDUCATION SCHOOLS – STATE CONTRIBUTION – INCREASE

Requiring the State contribution to the cost of educating children with disabilities in nonpublic programs to be increased for certain purposes by 4% in fiscal year 2023 over the amount approved by the State Department of Education in fiscal year 2022; and requiring the State contribution to be increased in fiscal year 2023 by not less than an additional 2% or the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for certain purposes.

#### SB 958 Senator

**Senators Zucker and Peters** 

Chapter 701

NONPUBLIC SPECIAL EDUCATION SCHOOLS – STATE CONTRIBUTION – INCREASE

Requiring the State contribution to the cost of educating children with disabilities in nonpublic programs to be increased for certain purposes in fiscal year 2023 by 4% over the amount approved by the State Department of Education in fiscal year 2022; and requiring the State contribution to be increased in fiscal year 2023 by not less than an additional 2% or the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, whichever is greater, for certain purposes. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

# HB 1239

## **Delegate Lierman**

Chapter 702

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – APPRAISAL GAP FROM HISTORIC REDLINING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Appraisal Gap From Historic Redlining Financial Assistance Program in the Department of Housing and Community Development to make financial assistance available to certain developers working in low–income census tracts in order to help close appraisal gaps that occur in historically redlined neighborhoods; requiring the amount of financial assistance not to exceed 35% of the lesser of the total cost of eligible construction expenses or 80% of the national median sale price for new homes on the date of sale; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## SB 859 Senator Hayes

Chapter 703

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – APPRAISAL GAP FROM HISTORIC REDLINING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Appraisal Gap From Historic Redlining Financial Assistance Program in the Department of Housing and Community Development to make financial assistance available to affordable housing developers working in low–income census tracts in order to help close appraisal gaps that occur in historically redlined neighborhoods; requiring the Department to submit an annual report to certain committees of the General Assembly on the funding for census tracts with a majority racial minority population; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 829 Delegate Lierman

Chapter 704

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – SMALL BUSINESS FINANCING – LOAN LOSS RESERVE (MARYLAND CAPITAL ACCESS PROGRAM)

Establishing a Capital Access Program in the Department of Commerce for the purpose of stimulating opportunities for small businesses that may have difficulty in obtaining business financing to have access to credit by establishing a loan loss reserve program; specifying that certain loans qualify under the Program; requiring a lender to enroll a qualifying loan not more than 30 days after the date of the first disbursement; authorizing a lender to enroll all or a portion of a qualifying loan in an amount not more than \$250,000; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### HB 205

## **Delegate Reznik**

Chapter 705

PUBLIC SCHOOLS - PROVISION OF MENSTRUAL HYGIENE PRODUCTS - REQUIREMENT

Requiring each county board of education to ensure that each public school provide, at no charge to students, menstrual hygiene products via dispensers in women's restrooms at the school; requiring a public middle or high school to install menstrual hygiene product dispensers in at least two women's restrooms by October 1, 2022, and all women's restrooms by August 1, 2025; requiring the State to reimburse a county board for the costs of purchasing and installing menstrual hygiene dispensers; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### SB 427

## **Senators Elfreth and West**

Chapter 706

PUBLIC SCHOOLS - PROVISION OF MENSTRUAL HYGIENE PRODUCTS – REQUIREMENT

Requiring each county board of education to ensure that each public school provide, at no charge to students, menstrual hygiene products via dispensers in the women's restrooms at the school; requiring a public middle or high school to install menstrual hygiene product dispensers in at least two women's restrooms by October 1, 2022, and in all women's restrooms by August 1, 2025; requiring a public elementary school to install menstrual hygiene product dispensers in at least one restroom by October 1, 2022; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### SB 509

#### **Senator Peters**

Chapter 707

NATIONAL CAPITAL STRATEGIC ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM – ELIGIBILITY AND FUNDING

Extending certain funding to each fiscal year; altering the definition of "national capital region" for the purposes of the National Capital Strategic Economic Development Program; requiring, in fiscal years 2022 and 2023, that 100% of the National Capital Strategic Economic Development Fund be used for community enhancement projects in sustainable communities located within certain boundaries; etc.

## SB 762 Senator McCray

Chapter 708

MARYLAND ELECTRICIANS ACT - REVISIONS

Altering the powers and duties of the State Board of Master Electricians; changing the name of the State Board of Master Electricians to the State Board of Electricians; prohibiting, beginning on July 1, 2021, local jurisdictions from issuing certain licenses; replacing local electrician licenses with local electrician registrations; prohibiting an individual from employing an individual to provide or assist in providing electrical services unless the individual meets certain licensing requirements; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 549 Delegate Pena-Melnyk

Chapter 709

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – BIRTH REGISTRATION – GESTATIONAL CARRIERS

Requiring a certain person to attach a copy of an order of the court establishing parentage to a certificate of birth under certain circumstances; requiring, for a birth involving a gestational carrier in which parentage is determined by a certain court, that a certain person enter certain information on the forms provided by the Secretary of Health and attach a certain order to the forms; requiring the Division of Vital Records to immediately take certain actions on receipt of certain documents; etc.

## SB 215 Senator Kelley

Chapter 710

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – BIRTH REGISTRATION – GESTATIONAL CARRIERS

Requiring a certain person to attach a copy of an order of the court establishing parentage to a certificate of birth under certain circumstances; requiring, for a birth involving a gestational carrier in which parentage is determined by a certain court, that a certain person enter certain information on the forms provided by the Secretary of Health and attach a certain order to the forms; requiring the Division of Vital Records to immediately take certain actions on receipt of certain documents; etc.

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## HB 600 Delegate Belcastro

Chapter 711

STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR AUDIOLOGISTS, HEARING AID DISPENSERS, AND SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS – DUTIES, APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS, AND REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSEES

Altering the definition of "board" for purposes of requiring the State Board of Examiners for Audiologists, Hearing Aid Dispensers, and Speech—Language Pathologists to post a list of certain courses, provide certain information on certain courses at a certain time, and advertise the availability of certain courses; requiring the Board, instead of certain organizations, to submit certain lists to the Secretary of Health and the Governor for the purpose of appointing certain members of the Board; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

# SB 523 Senator Lam (By Request – State Board of Examiners for Chapter 712 Audiologists, Hearing Aid Dispensers, and Speech-Language Pathologists)

STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR AUDIOLOGISTS, HEARING AID DISPENSERS, AND SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS – DUTIES, APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS, AND REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSEES

Altering the definition of "board" for purposes of requiring the State Board of Examiners for Audiologists, Hearing Aid Dispensers, and Speech–Language Pathologists to post a list of recommended courses in cultural and linguistic competency, health disparities, and health literacy; requiring the Board to maintain an electronic list of licensees; altering the nominations process to the Board by requiring the Board to submit a list of potential nominees to the Secretary of Health and the Governor; etc.

## HB 161 Delegate Kelly

Chapter 713

HEALTH OCCUPATION – LICENSING OF AUDIOLOGY ASSISTANTS

Requiring, on or after October 1, 2022, an individual to be licensed by the State Board of Examiners for Audiologists, Hearing Aid Dispensers, and Speech–Language Pathologists before assisting in the practice of audiology in the State, except as otherwise provided under certain provisions of law; establishing qualifications to obtain an audiology assistant license; authorizing a licensed audiologist to provide general supervision for up to two audiology assistants at any time; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## SB 379 Senator Lam

Chapter 714

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – LICENSING OF AUDIOLOGY ASSISTANTS

Requiring, on or after October 1, 2022, an individual to be licensed by the State Board of Examiners for Audiologists, Hearing Aid Dispensers, and Speech–Language Pathologists before assisting in the practice of audiology in the State, except as otherwise provided under certain provisions of law; establishing qualifications to obtain an audiology assistant license; authorizing a licensed audiologist to provide general supervision for up to two licensed audiology assistants at any time; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## HB 1179 Wicomico County Delegation

Chapter 715

WICOMICO COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – HOTEL OR RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT

Authorizing the governing body of Wicomico County or the governing body of a municipal corporation in Wicomico County to grant a property tax credit against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on real property that is used for hotel or residential development projects that add substantially to the assessed value of the property; authorizing the governing body of Wicomico County or the governing body of a municipal corporation in Wicomico County to provide for certain matters relating to the tax credit; etc.

#### SB 794

## **Wicomico County Senators**

Chapter 716

WICOMICO COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – HOTEL OR RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT

Authorizing the governing body of Wicomico County or the governing body of a municipal corporation in Wicomico County to grant a property tax credit against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on real property that is used for certain hotel or residential development projects that add substantially to the assessed value of the property; authorizing the governing body of Wicomico County or the governing body of a municipal corporation in Wicomico County to provide for certain matters relating to the property tax credit; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

#### HB 158

#### Delegate Carr, et al

Chapter 717

PROPERTY TAX – HOMEOWNERS' PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – CALCULATION AND REFUNDS

Altering, for purposes of the homeowners' property tax credit, the definition of "total real property tax" to exclude any adjustments based on other property tax credits against the property tax imposed on a dwelling; requiring the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to determine whether a homeowner is owed additional homeowners' property tax credits in the form of a refund for certain taxable years as a result of the Act; requiring the Comptroller to pay a refund from the Local Reserve Account; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

## SB 593

## Senator Zucker, et al

Chapter 718

PROPERTY TAX – HOMEOWNERS' PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – CALCULATION AND REFUNDS

Altering, for purposes of the homeowners' property tax credit, the definition of "total real property tax" to exclude any adjustments based on other property tax credits against the property tax imposed on a dwelling; requiring the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to determine whether a homeowner is owed additional homeowners' property tax credits in the form of a refund for certain taxable years as a result of the Act; requiring the Comptroller to pay a refund from the Local Reserve Account; etc.

## HB 251 Delegate Carr

Chapter 719

MARYLAND FUNDING ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY ACT – REAL PROPERTY RECORDS IMPROVEMENT FUND AND NONBUDGETED STATE AGENCIES

Altering the Maryland Funding Accountability and Transparency Act to require the Department of Information Technology to include in a searchable website payments made by certain units of State government; requiring the Department to update the payment data on the searchable website by the 15th day of the month that follows the month in which an agency makes a payment; authorizing the Judiciary, by June 30, 2021, to transfer up to \$12,000,000 of a general fund appropriation to the Circuit Court Real Property Records Improvement Fund; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

## SB 244 Senator Lam

Chapter 720

MARYLAND FUNDING ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY ACT – NONBUDGETED STATE AGENCIES

Altering the Maryland Funding Accountability and Transparency Act to require the Department of Information Technology to include in a searchable website payments made by units of State government that receive funds that are not appropriated in the annual budget bill; requiring the Department to update the payment data on the searchable website on or before the 15th day of the month that follows the month in which an agency makes a payment to a payee; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 607 Health and Government Operations Committee

Chapter 721

JUDGES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM – RETIREE HEALTH BENEFITS – MANDATORY RETIREMENT

Establishing the eligibility for State retiree health benefits for a retiree of the Judges' Retirement System and the retiree's spouse and dependent children when a retiree of the Judges' Retirement System retired at a mandatory retirement age with less than 5 years of creditable service; and providing for the calculation of a certain State subsidy.

## HB 548 Delegate R. Lewis

Chapter 722

HUMAN SERVICES – TRAUMA–INFORMED CARE – COMMISSION AND TRAINING (HEALING MARYLAND'S TRAUMA ACT)

Establishing the Commission on Trauma–Informed Care to coordinate a statewide initiative to prioritize the trauma–responsive and trauma–informed delivery of State services that impact children, youth, families, and older adults; requiring the Commission to submit its findings annually to the Governor and the General Assembly by June 30; requiring the Commission to study developing a process and framework for implementing an Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) Aware Program in the State; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## SB 299 Senator Carter, et al

Chapter 723

HUMAN SERVICES – TRAUMA–INFORMED CARE – COMMISSION AND TRAINING (HEALING MARYLAND'S TRAUMA ACT)

Establishing the Commission on Trauma–Informed Care to coordinate a statewide initiative to prioritize the trauma–responsive and trauma–informed delivery of State services that impact children, youth, families, and older adults; requiring the Commission to submit its findings annually to the Governor and the General Assembly by June 30; requiring the Commission to study developing a process and framework for implementing an Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) Aware Program in the State; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 831 Delegate Charkoudian

Chapter 724

## MARYLAND FOOD SYSTEM RESILIENCY COUNCIL

Establishing the Maryland Food System Resiliency Council; providing that the goals of the Council are to address the food insecurity crisis in the State due to the pandemic, develop recommendations to increase the long-term resiliency of the food system, and develop by November 1, 2021, a plan to increase the production and procurement of Maryland certified food; requiring the Council to submit an interim report by November 1, 2021, and recommendations on a statewide food policy council to the General Assembly by November 1, 2022; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

## SB 723 Senator Hester

Chapter 725

MARYLAND FOOD SYSTEM RESILIENCY COUNCIL

Establishing the Maryland Food System Resiliency Council; providing that the goals of the Council are to address the food insecurity crisis in the State due to the pandemic, develop recommendations to increase the long—term resiliency of the food system, and develop by November 1, 2021, a plan to increase the production and procurement of Maryland certified food; requiring the Council to submit an interim report by November 1, 2021, and recommendations on a statewide food policy council to the General Assembly by November 1, 2022; etc.

**EMERGENCY BILL** 

## HB 1311 Delegate Mangione

Chapter 726

PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION – DISABLED ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE MEMBERS, DISABLED VETERANS, AND SURVIVING SPOUSES – REFUND

Requiring the State, a county, or a municipal corporation to pay a certain refund to a disabled active duty service member, disabled veteran, or surviving spouse under certain circumstances; requiring the State, a county, or a municipal corporation to pay interest on the refund under certain circumstances; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after June 30, 2018.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

#### SB 269 Senator Ellis

Chapter 727

PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION – DISABLED ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE MEMBERS, DISABLED VETERANS, AND SURVIVING SPOUSES – REFUND

Requiring the State, a county, or a municipal corporation to pay a certain refund to a disabled active duty service member, disabled veteran, or surviving spouse under certain circumstances; requiring the State, a county, or a municipal corporation to pay interest on the refund under certain circumstances; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after June 30, 2018.

## SB 909 Senator Smith, et al

Chapter 728

CAPITAL PROJECTS – MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE GOALS

Requiring the Governor's Office of Small, Minority, and Women Business Affairs, prior to the release of State funds for a certain capital project that receives at least \$3,000,000 in a single fiscal year, to review the project for subcontracting opportunities under the State Minority Business Enterprise Program and, if practicable, establish minority business enterprise subgoals for the project; requiring the Office to consider minority business enterprises when setting certain subgoals; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

## HB 1173 Calvert County Delegation

Chapter 729

CALVERT COUNTY - PUBLIC FACILITIES BOND

Authorizing and empowering the County Commissioners of Calvert County, from time to time, to borrow not more than \$26,453,345 to finance the construction, improvement, or development of certain public buildings, roads, and facilities in Calvert County, as herein defined, and to effect such borrowing by the issuance and sale at public or private sale of its general obligation bonds in like par amount; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

## SB 612 Carroll County Senators

Chapter 730

#### CARROLL COUNTY - PUBLIC FACILITIES BOND

Authorizing and empowering the County Commissioners of Carroll County to borrow not more than \$48,450,000 in order to finance the construction, improvement, or development of certain public facilities in Carroll County, and to effect such borrowing by the issuance and sale at public or private sale of its general obligation bonds in like par amount; etc.

## SB 861 Senator Bailey

Chapter 731

ST. MARY'S COUNTY - PUBLIC FACILITIES BOND

Authorizing and empowering the County Commissioners of St. Mary's County to borrow not more than \$30,000,000 in order to finance the construction, improvement, or development of certain public facilities in St. Mary's County, and to effect such borrowing by the issuance and sale at public or private sale of its general obligation bonds in like par amount; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

## SB 326 Senator Hayes

Chapter 732

BALTIMORE CITY COMMUNITY COLLEGE – PROCUREMENT AUTHORITY

Exempting Baltimore City Community College from certain provisions of the State procurement law; requiring the Board of Trustees of the College, subject to approval by the Board of Public Works and the Joint Committee on Administrative, Executive, and Legislative Review, to develop policies and procedures governing procurement; exempting the College from certain provisions of law governing the oversight of public improvement projects by the Department of General Services if the contract has a value of less than \$500,000; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## SB 415 Senator Pinsky

Chapter 733

PUBLIC FINANCING ACT – MATCHING FUND REVISIONS (MARYLAND FAIR ELECTIONS ACT)

Requiring the Comptroller to distribute public contributions to a certain campaign finance entity established to receive public contributions for certain eligible candidates; requiring the State Board of Elections to make a certain determination regarding the balance of the Fair Campaign Financing Fund on or before a certain date in certain years; requiring the Governor, in fiscal year 2023, to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of at least \$4,000,000 to the Fund; etc.

#### HB 222 **Delegate Wilkins**

Chapter 734

ELECTION LAW - CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES - VOTER REGISTRATION AND VOTING

Requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to provide each individual who is released from a correctional facility with a voter registration application and documentation informing the individual that their voting rights have been restored; requiring the State Board of Elections to adopt regulations establishing a program to inform eligible voters of upcoming elections and how to exercise the right to vote; requiring the State Board to report to certain committees of the General Assembly by January 15 each year; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

#### SB 927 **Senator Pinsky**

Chapter 735

INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION – PROHIBITION AGAINST INCENTIVE PAYMENTS - FOREIGN STUDENT **EXEMPTION** 

Altering the application of certain provisions of law prohibiting an institution of higher education from paying certain financial or other incentives based on certain success to exempt the recruitment of foreign students who reside in a foreign country and are not eligible to receive federal student assistance.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

#### HB 581 Delegate D.E. Davis

Chapter 736

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT - EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS DURING AN EMERGENCY (MARYLAND ESSENTIAL WORKERS' PROTECTION ACT)

Requiring each essential employer to take certain actions related to occupational safety and health during an emergency; providing that an essential worker has the right to refuse to perform a certain task as provided under certain provisions of law; requiring essential employers to take certain steps to minimize the risk of transmission of an infectious disease; requiring essential employers to report certain test results to the Maryland Department of Health; requiring the Department to categorize and the publish the results; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

## HB 13 Delegate Luedtke

Chapter 737

INFLUENCE ON COLLECTIVE BARGAINING – PROHIBITION ON USE OF PUBLIC FUNDS

Prohibiting a unit of State, county, or municipal government from knowingly using public funds to influence the decisions of county or municipal employees to support or oppose an employee organization that represents or seeks to represent the employees, or to become a member of an employee organization; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 414 Delegate D.M. Davis

Chapter 738

## SOUTHERN MARYLAND RAPID TRANSIT PROJECT - FUNDING

Requiring the State Department of Transportation promptly to undertake all steps necessary to complete the design, engineering, and National Environmental Policy Act process and secure a record of decision for the Southern Maryland Rapid Transit Project; requiring the Governor in each of fiscal years 2023 through 2027 to include in the annual State budget an appropriation from the Transportation Trust Fund of at least \$5,000,000, contingent on the receipt of certain federal funds for certain purposes related to the Project; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### SB 81 Senator Ellis

Chapter 739

## SOUTHERN MARYLAND RAPID TRANSIT PROJECT - FUNDING

Requiring the State Department of Transportation to undertake promptly all steps necessary to complete the design, engineering, and National Environmental Policy Act process and secure a record of decision for the Southern Maryland Rapid Transit Project; requiring the Governor to include in the annual State budget in each of fiscal years 2023 through 2027 an appropriation from the Transportation Trust Fund of at least \$5,000,000, contingent on the receipt of federal funds to provide matching funds for a certain environmental impact study; etc.

## SB 364 Senator McCray

Chapter 740

BALTIMORE CITY – CIVIL CLAIMS AGAINST LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS OF AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION – PROHIBITION AGAINST NONDISPARAGEMENT CLAUSE IN SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

Prohibiting the use or enforcement of a nondisparagement clause in a settlement agreement or other release of liability between the parties in a claim of misconduct in the performance of duties against a law enforcement officer of an institution of higher education in Baltimore City; and applying the Act prospectively. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## SB 172 Senator Hayes, et al

Chapter 741

MARYLAND HEALTH EQUITY RESOURCE ACT

Establishing a Pathways to Health Equity Program in the Community Health Resources Commission to provide the foundation and guidance for a permanent Health Equity Resource Community program; requiring the Program to provide grant funding to reduce health disparities, improve health outcomes, improve access to primary care, promote primary and secondary prevention services, and reduce health care costs; requiring the Commission to establish Health Equity Resource Communities to target State resources to certain areas for certain purposes; etc.

#### EMERGENCY BILL

# HB 463

## **Delegate Barron**

Chapter 742

## MARYLAND HEALTH EQUITY RESOURCE ACT

Establishing a Pathways to Health Equity Program in the Community Health Resources Commission to provide the foundation and guidance for a permanent Health Equity Resource Community program; altering the purposes of the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange Fund; requiring the Commission to designate certain areas as Health Equity Resource Communities to target State resources toward reducing health disparities, improving health outcomes and access to primary care, and reducing health care costs; etc.

**EMERGENCY BILL** 

## SB 41 Senator Augustine

Chapter 743

HEALTH – MENTAL AND EMOTIONAL DISORDERS – CONSENT (MENTAL HEALTH ACCESS INITIATIVE)

Altering the minimum age, from 16 years to 12 years, at which a minor has the same capacity as an adult to consent to consultation, diagnosis, and certain treatment of a mental or emotional disorder by a health care provider or clinic; and providing that a health care provider may decide to provide certain information to a certain parent, guardian, or custodian under certain provisions of law unless the health care provider believes that the disclosure will lead to harm to the minor or deter the minor from seeking care.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## HB 28

Chapter 744

## Delegates Pena-Melnyk and R. Lewis

PUBLIC HEALTH – IMPLICIT BIAS TRAINING AND THE OFFICE OF MINORITY HEALTH AND HEALTH DISPARITIES

Altering the information to be included in the Health Care Disparities Policy Report Card to include disparities in morbidity and mortality rates for dementia; requiring the Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities to publish health data that includes race and ethnicity information and to update the data biannually; requiring the Governor, beginning in fiscal year 2023, to include at least \$1,788,314 in the annual budget bill for the Office; requiring a certain program to identify and approve implicit bias training programs; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### SB 5

## Senator Griffith, et al

Chapter 745

PUBLIC HEALTH – IMPLICIT BIAS TRAINING AND THE OFFICE OF MINORITY HEALTH AND HEALTH DISPARITIES

Altering the information to be included in the Health Care Disparities Policy Report Card to include disparities in morbidity and mortality rates for dementia; requiring the Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities to publish health data that includes race and ethnicity information and to update the data biannually; requiring the Governor, beginning in fiscal year 2023, to include at least \$1,788,314 in the annual budget bill for the Office; requiring a certain program to identify and approve implicit bias training programs; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## HB 18 Delegate W. Fisher, et al

Chapter 746

 $\begin{array}{l} LANDLORD\ AND\ TENANT-RESIDENTIAL\ TENANTS-ACCESS\\ TO\ COUNSEL \end{array}$ 

Establishing that certain procedural notice requirements must be fulfilled prior to the filing of a complaint by a landlord or a landlord's agent for the repossession of residential rental property for failure to pay rent; establishing that certain individuals shall have access to legal representation in eviction proceedings; establishing the Access to Counsel in Evictions Program to direct services to provide covered individuals with access to legal representation; establishing a certain Task Force; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## HB 45 Delegate Forbes

Chapter 747

EDUCATION – BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY – COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

Authorizing employees of the Baltimore County Public Library to form, join, and participate in an employee organization and engage in certain other activities related to collective bargaining; authorizing an employee organization seeking certification as the exclusive representative for the bargaining unit of employees to file a petition Director indicating this intent: specifying the the responsibilities oflibrary certified exclusive and representative; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### SB 138 Senator Hettleman

Chapter 748

EDUCATION – BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY – COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

Authorizing employees of the Baltimore County Public Library to form, join, and participate in an employee organization and engage in certain other activities related to collective bargaining; authorizing an employee organization seeking certification as the exclusive representative for the bargaining unit of employees to file a petition with Director indicating intent: specifying the this responsibilities of the library and the certified exclusive representative; etc.

#### HB 78

## Delegate Pena-Melnyk, et al

Chapter 749

PUBLIC HEALTH – MARYLAND COMMISSION ON HEALTH EQUITY (THE SHIRLEY NATHAN–PULLIAM HEALTH EQUITY ACT OF 2021)

Requiring the State designated exchange to participate in a certain advisory committee, maintain a certain data set, and provide data under certain circumstances; authorizing the State designated exchange to use certain data to improve outcomes for patients; establishing the Maryland Commission on Health Equity to employ a health equity framework by taking a collaborative approach to improve health outcomes and reduce health inequities in the State and incorporating health considerations into broad—based decision making; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### SB 52

## **Senator Washington**

Chapter 750

PUBLIC HEALTH – MARYLAND COMMISSION ON HEALTH EQUITY (THE SHIRLEY NATHAN–PULLIAM HEALTH EQUITY ACT OF 2021)

Requiring the State designated exchange to participate in a certain advisory committee, maintain a certain data set, and provide data under certain circumstances; authorizing the State designated exchange to use certain data to improve outcomes for patients; establishing the Maryland Commission on Health Equity to employ a health equity framework by taking a collaborative approach to improve health outcomes and reduce health inequities in the State and incorporating health considerations into broad–based decision making; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## HB 90 Delegate Lierman

Chapter 751

STATE AND LOCAL HOUSING PROGRAMS – AFFIRMATIVELY FURTHERING FAIR HOUSING

Requiring the Department of Housing and Community Development to report to the General Assembly and the Governor by December 1, 2023, and every 5 years thereafter, on the efforts by the State, political subdivisions, and housing authorities to promote fair housing choice and racial and economic housing integration; requiring the Department to explore ways to ensure it is supporting nonprofit and governmental entities devoted to furthering fair housing; requiring certain entities to submit a fair housing assessment to the Department; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

## SB 687 Senator Smith

Chapter 752

STATE AND LOCAL HOUSING PROGRAMS – AFFIRMATIVELY FURTHERING FAIR HOUSING

Requiring the Department of Housing and Community Development to report to the General Assembly and the Governor by December 1, 2023, and every 5 years thereafter, on the efforts by the State, political subdivisions, and housing authorities to promote fair housing choice and racial and economic housing integration; requiring the Department of Planning, in consultation with the Department of Housing and Community Development, on request of a local jurisdiction, to provide certain technical assistance; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

## HB 95 Delegate Krebs

Chapter 753

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – NURSES – DELEGATION OF TASKS

Providing that an advanced practice registered nurse is not precluded from delegating a nursing or other technical task to an assistant under certain circumstances; providing that a registered nurse or a licensed practical nurse is not precluded from delegating a technical task other than a nursing task to an unlicensed individual under certain circumstances; and requiring the State Board of Nursing to adopt certain regulations.

## SB 476 Senator Eckardt

Chapter 754

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS - NURSES - DELEGATION OF TASKS

Providing that an advanced practice registered nurse is not precluded from delegating a nursing or other technical task to an assistant under certain circumstances; providing that a registered nurse or a licensed practical nurse is not precluded from delegating a technical task other than a nursing task to an unlicensed individual under certain circumstances; and requiring the State Board of Nursing to adopt certain regulations.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

## HB 108 Delegate Charkoudian

Chapter 755

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CRISIS RESPONSE SERVICES – MODIFICATIONS

Altering the proposals the Maryland Department of Health is required to prioritize in awarding grants under the Behavioral Health Crisis Response Grant Program; requiring a local behavioral health authority to make certain information available to the public; requiring the Governor to include in the annual operating budget appropriations of \$5,000,000 in each of fiscal years 2023 through 2025; requiring, beginning in fiscal year 2023, that at least one—third of the appropriation be used for grants for mobile crisis teams; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## SB 286 Senator Augustine

Chapter 756

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CRISIS RESPONSE SERVICES – MODIFICATIONS

Altering the proposals the Maryland Department of Health is required to prioritize in awarding grants under the Behavioral Health Crisis Response Grant Program; requiring a local behavioral health authority to make certain information available to the public; requiring the Governor to include in the annual operating budget appropriations of \$5,000,000 in each of fiscal years 2023 through 2025; requiring, beginning in fiscal year 2023, that at least one—third of the appropriation be used for grants for mobile crisis teams; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## HB 135 Delegate K. Young

Chapter 757

PHARMACISTS – ADMINISTRATION OF SELF–ADMINISTERED MEDICATIONS AND MAINTENANCE INJECTABLE MEDICATIONS (CHRISTOPHER KING ACCESS TO TREATMENT ACT)

Authorizing a pharmacist who meets certain requirements to administer maintenance injectable medications to a patient under certain circumstances; requiring the State Board of Pharmacy, by September 1, 2021, and in consultation with the State Board of Physicians and the State Board of Nursing to adopt certain regulations establishing standard procedures to include notification of patients about payment for services before the pharmacist administers a maintenance injectable medication; etc. EMERGENCY BILL

## SB 84 Senators Young and Waldstreicher

Chapter 758

PHARMACISTS – ADMINISTRATION OF SELF–ADMINISTERED MEDICATIONS AND MAINTENANCE INJECTABLE MEDICATIONS (CHRISTOPHER KING ACCESS TO TREATMENT ACT)

Authorizing a pharmacist who meets certain requirements to administer maintenance injectable medications to a patient under certain circumstances; requiring the State Board of Pharmacy, by September 1, 2021, and in consultation with the State Board of Physicians and the State Board of Nursing, to adopt regulations establishing standard procedures; requiring the Maryland Medical Assistance Program and the Maryland Children's Health Program to provide certain coverage for the administering of certain medications by a licensed pharmacist; etc.

**EMERGENCY BILL** 

#### HB 1061

## **Charles County Delegation**

Chapter 759

SOUTHERN MARYLAND – DWELLING REGISTRATION AND INSPECTION – FEES AND FINES

Authorizing the code home rule counties of the Southern Maryland class to require a certain property owner to register certain property with the county in order to offer the property for lease; authorizing the code home rule counties of the Southern Maryland class to charge a fee for registering certain property with the county and to impose a fine for a dwelling that is not registered with the county; and authorizing code home rule counties of the Southern Maryland class to conduct certain inspections and impose certain fines for certain violations.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### SB 832

## **Charles County Senators**

Chapter 760

SOUTHERN MARYLAND – DWELLING REGISTRATION AND INSPECTION – FEES AND FINES

Authorizing code home rule counties of the Southern Maryland class to require a certain property owner to register certain property with the county in order to offer the property for lease; authorizing code home rule counties of the Southern Maryland class to charge a fee for registering certain property with the county and to impose a fine for a dwelling that is not registered; authorizing code home rule counties of the Southern Maryland class to conduct certain inspections and impose certain fines for certain violations; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## HB 309

## Delegates Pena-Melnyk and R. Lewis

Chapter 761

PUBLIC HEALTH – DATA – RACE AND ETHNICITY INFORMATION

Altering a certain provision of law requiring the Maryland Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities to collaborate with the Maryland Health Care Commission to publish a report card that includes racial and ethnic composition data on individuals who hold a license or certificate issued by a health occupations board, rather than only physicians; requiring the Office, as permitted by certain privacy laws, to respond to requests for health data that includes race and ethnicity information within 30 days of receipt of the request; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

SB 565

Senator Griffith, et al

Chapter 762

PUBLIC HEALTH – DATA – RACE AND ETHNICITY INFORMATION

Altering a certain provision of law requiring the Maryland Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities to collaborate with the Maryland Health Care Commission to publish and provide a certain report card to require the Office to also collaborate with certain health occupations boards and to include certain information in the report card; requiring the Office, as permitted by certain privacy laws, to respond to requests for health data that includes race and ethnicity information within 30 days of receipt of the request; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

HB 495

## **Delegate Palakovich Carr**

Chapter 763

INCOME TAX – INTERNAL REVENUE CODE AMENDMENTS – DECOUPLING

Prohibiting, except under certain circumstances, the retroactive application of certain amendments to the Internal Revenue Code to the determination of Maryland taxable income; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

SB 578

## Senator McCray

Chapter 764

INCOME TAX – INTERNAL REVENUE CODE AMENDMENTS – DECOUPLING

Prohibiting, except under certain circumstances, the retroactive application of certain amendments to the Internal Revenue Code to the determination of Maryland taxable income; applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020; etc.

#### HB 504

## **Delegate Dumais**

Chapter 765

INSURANCE – IMPAIRED ENTITIES – DELINQUENCY PROCEEDINGS

Providing that a federal home loan bank may not be stayed or prohibited from exercising certain rights with respect to certain collateral of a certain insurer—member after the 14th day following the filing of a delinquency proceeding; requiring a federal home loan bank to repurchase certain outstanding capital stock of a certain insurer—member under certain circumstances; requiring a federal home loan bank to establish a certain timeline and process within 10 business days after a request from a receiver; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

#### SB 458

#### Senator Feldman

Chapter 766

INSURANCE – IMPAIRED ENTITIES – DELINQUENCY PROCEEDINGS

Providing that a federal home loan bank may not be stayed or prohibited from exercising certain rights with respect to certain collateral of a certain insurer—member after the 14th day following the filing of a delinquency proceeding; requiring a federal home loan bank to repurchase certain outstanding capital stock of a certain insurer—member under certain circumstances; requiring a federal home loan bank to establish a certain timeline and process within 10 business days after a request from a receiver; etc. EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

#### HB 1324

## Delegate P. Young

Chapter 767

TOBACCO TAX AND SALES AND USE TAX – OUT–OF–STATE SALES OF PREMIUM CIGARS AND PIPE TOBACCO AND TOBACCO SMOKING DEVICES

Altering the definition of "other tobacco products" to exclude a certain item; requiring a person located outside the State to have a certain license in order to sell premium cigars or pipe tobacco to a consumer in the State; requiring the Executive Director of the Alcohol and Tobacco Commission to issue a certain license; authorizing the holder of a remote tobacco seller license to sell premium cigars and pipe tobacco to consumers in the State; establishing the requirements for an applicant for a remote tobacco seller license; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL - VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

SB 883

Senator Guzzone

Chapter 768

TOBACCO TAX AND SALES AND USE TAX – OUT–OF–STATE SALES OF PREMIUM CIGARS AND PIPE TOBACCO AND TOBACCO SMOKING DEVICES

Altering the definition of "other tobacco products" to exclude a certain item; requiring a person located outside the State to have a certain license in order to sell premium cigars or pipe tobacco to a consumer in the State; requiring the Executive Director of the Alcohol and Tobacco Commission to issue a certain license; authorizing the holder of a remote tobacco seller license to sell premium cigars and pipe tobacco to consumers in the State; establishing the requirements for an applicant for a remote tobacco seller license; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL - VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

SB 514

Senator Feldman, et al

Chapter 769

HEALTH FACILITIES – HOSPITALS – MEDICAL DEBT PROTECTION

Specifying the method for calculating family income to be used to consider free or reduced—cost medical care under a certain hospital financial assistance policy; requiring that the description of a hospital's financial assistance policy include a section that allows a patient to initial that the patient has been made aware of the policy; prohibiting a hospital from charging interest or fees on certain debts incurred by certain patients; requiring the Health Services Cost Review Commission to develop certain guidelines; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

HB 565

**Delegate Charkoudian** 

Chapter 770

HEALTH FACILITIES – HOSPITALS – MEDICAL DEBT PROTECTION

Specifying the method for calculating family income to be used to consider free or reduced—cost medical care under a certain hospital financial assistance policy; requiring that the description of a hospital's financial assistance policy include a section that allows a patient to indicate the patient is aware of the policy; prohibiting a hospital from charging interest or fees on certain debts incurred by patients; requiring the Health Services Cost Review Commission to develop guidelines for an income—based payment plan; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

HB 598

**Delegate Kelly** 

Chapter 771

MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS SERVICES – REIMBURSEMENT

Prohibiting the Maryland Department of Health from conditioning reimbursement of applied behavior analysis services provided to Maryland Medical Assistance Program recipients on the presence or availability of the parent or caregiver of the Program recipient in the setting where the applied behavior analysis services are provided to the Program recipient; providing that a certain provision of the Act does not prohibit the Department from establishing reasonable standards for the involvement of a parent or caregiver; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

SB 469

**Senator Washington** 

Chapter 772

MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS SERVICES – REIMBURSEMENT

Prohibiting the Maryland Department of Health from conditioning reimbursement of applied behavior analysis services provided to Maryland Medical Assistance Program recipients on the presence or availability of the parent or caregiver of the Program recipient in the setting where the applied behavior analysis services are provided to the Program recipient; providing that a certain provision of the Act does not prohibit the Department from establishing reasonable standards for the involvement of a parent or caregiver; etc. EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

HB 611

**Delegate Hill** 

Chapter 773

PUBLIC HEALTH – PROHIBITION ON TESTING COSMETICS ON ANIMALS

Prohibiting a person from conducting or contracting for animal testing in the development of a cosmetic; prohibiting a manufacturer from selling or offering for sale in the State a cosmetic under certain circumstances beginning July 1, 2022; providing that certain provisions of the Act do not apply to certain animal testing; prohibiting a political subdivision from adopting or enforcing provisions of local law relating to animal testing on cosmetics; establishing certain penalties for certain violations of the Act; etc. EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2022

SB 282

**Senator Lam** 

Chapter 774

PUBLIC HEALTH – PROHIBITION ON TESTING COSMETICS ON ANIMALS

Prohibiting a person from conducting or contracting for animal testing in the development of a cosmetic; prohibiting a manufacturer from selling or offering for sale in the State a cosmetic under certain circumstances beginning July 1, 2022; providing that certain provisions of the Act do not apply to certain animal testing; prohibiting a political subdivision from adopting or enforcing provisions of local law relating to animal testing on cosmetics; establishing certain penalties for certain violations of the Act; etc. EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2022

HB 652

Delegate Qi

Chapter 775

HEALTH FACILITIES – RESIDENTIAL SERVICE AGENCIES – GUIDANCE AND REPORTING

Requiring the Office of the Attorney General, in consultation with the Maryland Department of Health and the Maryland Department of Labor, to produce a guidance document, by December 30, 2021, concerning the application of employee protection laws to the use of personal care aides by residential service agencies; requiring a residential service agency to certify certain information through the signature of a certain individual as a condition of obtaining or renewing a license; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

SB 384

**Senator Kelley** 

Chapter 776

HEALTH FACILITIES – RESIDENTIAL SERVICE AGENCIES – GUIDANCE AND REPORTING

Requiring the Office of the Attorney General, in consultation with the Maryland Department of Health and the Maryland Department of Labor, to produce a guidance document, by December 30, 2021, concerning the application of employee protection laws to the use of personal care aides by residential service agencies; requiring a residential service agency to certify certain information on a certain form and through the signature of a certain individual as a condition of obtaining an initial license to operate and every 3 years thereafter; etc.

#### HB 780

## **Delegate Kerr**

Chapter 777

MARYLAND HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE – STATE–BASED YOUNG ADULT HEALTH INSURANCE SUBSIDIES PILOT PROGRAM

Requiring the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange to establish and implement a State—Based Young Adult Health Insurance Subsidies Pilot Program to provide a means for young adults to reduce the amount they pay for health benefit plans in the individual health insurance market; requiring the establishment of certain subsidy eligibility and payment parameters for calendar years 2022 and 2023; authorizing the Exchange to designate not more than \$20,000,000 for the Pilot Program in each of fiscal years 2022 through 2024; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### SB 729

#### Senator Feldman

Chapter 778

MARYLAND HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE – STATE–BASED YOUNG ADULT HEALTH INSURANCE SUBSIDIES PILOT PROGRAM

Requiring the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange to establish and implement a State—Based Young Adult Health Insurance Subsidies Pilot Program to provide a means for young adults to reduce the amount they pay for health benefit plans in the individual health insurance market; requiring the Exchange, in consultation with the Maryland Insurance Commissioner and as approved by the Board of Trustees of the Exchange, to establish certain subsidy eligibility and payment parameters for calendar years 2022 and 2023; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### HB 781

## **Delegate Dumais**

Chapter 779

CORPORATIONS AND REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUSTS – MISCELLANEOUS

Clarifying that the charter or bylaws of a corporation may require that any internal corporate claim be brought only in certain specified courts; repealing the authority of certain corporations to effect a certain reverse stock split; altering the manner in which a corporation may allow stockholders to participate in a certain meeting; authorizing a certain meeting of the stockholders to be held partially or solely by means of remote communication; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### SB 263

#### Senators West and Waldstreicher

Chapter 780

CORPORATIONS AND REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUSTS – MISCELLANEOUS

Clarifying that the charter or bylaws of a corporation may require that any internal corporate claim be brought only in certain specified courts; repealing the authority of certain corporations to effect a certain reverse stock split; altering the manner in which a corporation may allow stockholders to participate in a certain meeting; authorizing a certain meeting of the stockholders to be held partially or solely by means of remote communication; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## HB 811

## **Delegate Cullison**

Chapter 781

#### STATE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS – REVISIONS

Requiring certain individuals employed by federal agencies to comply with certain provisions of law; establishing that an applicant to obtain a certified social worker license is required to meet certain requirements by December 31, 2023; altering the number of hours of certain supervision an applicant for a certified social worker—clinical license is required to complete; specifying that certain supervision is to be provided in accordance with regulations adopted by the State Board of Social Work Examiners; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## SB 597

## **Senator Washington**

Chapter 782

#### STATE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS – REVISIONS

Requiring certain individuals employed by federal agencies to comply with certain provisions of law; establishing that an applicant to obtain a certified social worker license is required to meet certain requirements by December 31, 2023; altering the number of hours of certain supervision an applicant for a certified social worker—clinical license is required to complete; requiring, as of calendar year 2023, a licensee seeking a license renewal to attest that the licensee has submitted to a criminal history records check; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## HB 861 Delegate Palakovich Carr

Chapter 783

REAL PROPERTY – LANDLORD AND TENANT – REUSABLE TENANT SCREENING REPORTS

Requiring that a reusable tenant screening report contain certain information regarding a prospective tenant of residential property; requiring a landlord to provide certain notice to prospective tenants regarding whether or not the landlord accepts reusable tenant screening reports; prohibiting a landlord that accepts a reusable tenant screening report from assessing certain fees; authorizing a landlord to require a prospective tenant to make a certain certification; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## SB 691 Senator Hettleman

Chapter 784

REAL PROPERTY – LANDLORD AND TENANT – REUSABLE TENANT SCREENING REPORTS

Requiring that a reusable tenant screening report contain certain information regarding a prospective tenant of residential property; requiring a landlord to provide certain notice to prospective tenants regarding whether or not the landlord accepts reusable tenant screening reports; prohibiting a landlord that accepts a reusable tenant screening report from assessing certain fees; authorizing a landlord to require a prospective tenant to make a certain certification; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## HB 872 Delegate Charles

Chapter 785

SHEILA E. HIXSON BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES MATCHING GRANT PROGRAM FOR SERVICE MEMBERS AND VETERANS – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Sheila E. Hixson Behavioral Health Services Matching Grant Program for Service Members and Veterans to provide funds to local nonprofit organizations to establish and expand community behavioral health programs to serve members, veterans, and their families; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to administer the Program and to establish a statewide system to assess the services provided by the nonprofit organizations; authorizing the Governor to provide \$2,500,000 in the annual budget bill for the Program; etc.

#### SB 550

## Senator Beidle, et al

Chapter 786

SHEILA E. HIXSON BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES MATCHING GRANT PROGRAM FOR SERVICE MEMBERS AND VETERANS – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Sheila E. Hixson Behavioral Health Services Matching Grant Program for Service Members and Veterans to provide funds to local nonprofit organizations to establish and expand community behavioral health programs to serve members, veterans, and their families; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to administer the Program and to establish a statewide system to assess the services provided by the nonprofit organizations; authorizing the Governor to provide \$2,500,000 in the annual budget bill for the Program; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### HB 873

#### **Delegate Charles**

Chapter 787

STATE BOARD FOR CERTIFICATION OF RESIDENTIAL CHILD CARE PROGRAM PROFESSIONALS – CERTIFICATION – REVISIONS

Requiring the State Board for Certification of Residential Child Care Program Professionals to maintain an electronic roster of all individuals certified by the Board; requiring that the roster be available for electronic verification of certification through the Board's website; authorizing certain individuals to contact the Board to verify a certificate; and repealing a certain requirement that a certain renewal notice sent by the Board contain certain information. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### HB 934

## **Delegate Bartlett**

Chapter 788

PUBLIC HEALTH – CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER – AUTOPSY FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

Clarifying the circumstances under which a person in interest may appeal to the Secretary of Health the denial by the Chief Medical Examiner to correct certain findings and conclusions recorded on a certificate of death; and requiring the Maryland Department of Health to report to certain committees of the General Assembly by October 1, 2024, on the number of appeals made to the Secretary when the Chief Medical Examiner denied a request to correct findings and conclusions on the cause and manner of death after October 1, 2021.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### HB 983

## **Delegate Lehman**

Chapter 789

NURSING HOMES – COVID–19 AND OTHER CATASTROPHIC HEALTH EMERGENCIES – VISITATION (THE GLORIA DAYTZ LEWIS ACT)

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to develop certain guidelines relating to the restrictions on personal and compassionate care visitation that a nursing home may impose to reduce the spread of COVID–19 or another disease that constitutes a catastrophic health emergency; declaring that it is the intent of the General Assembly that during a catastrophic health emergency visitation in nursing homes be prioritized to balance the physical needs of the residents with the mental and spiritual needs of the residents; etc. EMERGENCY BILL

#### HB 1022

## **Delegate Pendergrass**

Chapter 790

PUBLIC HEALTH – STATE DESIGNATED EXCHANGE – CLINICAL INFORMATION

Requiring a nursing home, on request by the Maryland Department of Health, to electronically submit clinical information to the State designated exchange to facilitate certain objectives; providing that information submitted under the Act may be combined with other data maintained by the exchange to facilitate a State health improvement program, mitigate a public health emergency, and improve patient safety; providing that information submitted by a nursing home may be used only to facilitate certain objectives; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### SB 748

#### **Senator Beidle**

Chapter 791

PUBLIC HEALTH – STATE DESIGNATED EXCHANGE – CLINICAL INFORMATION

Requiring a nursing home, on request of the Maryland Department of Health, to electronically submit clinical information to the State designated exchange to facilitate certain objectives; providing that information submitted under the Act may be combined with other data maintained by the exchange to facilitate a State health improvement program, mitigate a public health emergency, and improve patient safety; providing that information submitted by a nursing home may be used only to facilitate certain objectives; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### HB 1040

## **Delegate Kelly**

Chapter 792

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – PHARMACISTS – ADMINISTRATION OF CHILDREN'S VACCINES – STUDY AND TEMPORARY AUTHORITY

Authorizing a pharmacist, from July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2023, inclusive, to administer vaccinations to an individual who is at least 3 years old but under the age of 18 years if certain requirements are met; requiring the Prevention and Health Promotion Administration, in consultation with the State Board of Pharmacy, to report to certain committees of the General Assembly by December 1, 2021, certain information the Administration considers relevant to setting policies on the administration of vaccines to children by pharmacists; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

### SB 736

## **Senator Augustine**

Chapter 793

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – PHARMACISTS – ADMINISTRATION OF CHILDREN'S VACCINES – STUDY AND TEMPORARY AUTHORITY

Authorizing a pharmacist, from July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2023, inclusive, to administer vaccinations to an individual who is at least 3 years old but under the age of 18 years if certain requirements are met; requiring the Prevention and Health Promotion Administration, in consultation with the State Board of Pharmacy, to report to certain committees of the General Assembly by December 1, 2021, certain information the Administration considers relevant to setting policies on the administration of vaccines to children by pharmacists; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## HB 1153

## **Delegate Adams**

Chapter 794

NAMES OF ENTITIES WITH PHYSICIAN MEMBERSHIP – APPROVAL REQUIREMENT – EXEMPTION

Exempting a professional entity whose members are licensed physicians from a requirement that the name of the entity be approved by the State Board of Physicians; requiring that the State Board of Assessments and Taxation notify MedChi, the Maryland State Medical Society on receipt of a certain application; and authorizing MedChi, the Maryland State Medical Society on receipt of the application to take no action or refer the application to the Maryland Department of Health if there is reason to believe the name is misleading.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## HB 1210

## The Speaker

Chapter 795

CORPORATE DIVERSITY – BOARD, EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP, AND MISSION

Prohibiting an entity from qualifying for certain State benefits unless certain criteria relating to underrepresented communities are met; requiring the Department of Commerce and the Office of Small, Minority, and Women Business Affairs to develop and maintain a State Equity Report; requiring the Department and the Office to adopt regulations to carry out the Act; requiring a certain entity to include certain diversity data in a certain annual report; applying the Act prospectively; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

## HB 1287

## Delegate R. Lewis

Chapter 796

ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELING – ALCOHOL AND DRUG TRAINEES – PRACTICE THROUGH TELEHEALTH

Authorizing alcohol and drug trainees to practice clinical drug and alcohol counseling without a license or drug and alcohol counseling without a certificate through telehealth if the individuals are working as trainees under the supervision of certain approved supervisors while completing certain experiential or course study requirements. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### SB 646

## Senators Carozza and Kagan

Chapter 797

ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELING – ALCOHOL AND DRUG TRAINEES – PRACTICE THROUGH TELEHEALTH

Authorizing certain individuals to practice clinical drug and alcohol counseling without a license and drug and alcohol counseling without certification through telehealth if the individuals are working as trainees under the supervision of certain approved supervisors while completing certain experiential or course of study requirements. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

#### HB 1375

## **Delegate Kelly**

Chapter 798

HEALTH INFORMATION EXCHANGES – ELECTRONIC HEALTH INFORMATION – SHARING AND DISCLOSURE

Altering the laws with which certain regulations adopted by the Maryland Health Care Commission must comply; requiring that certain regulations adopted by the Commission require the State—designated health information exchange to develop and maintain a certain consent management application, subject to certain laws, and provide for certain penalties; requiring that, subject to certain laws, certain regulations allow certain entities to use electronic health information for certain purposes; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

## SB 67 Chapter 799

Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems), et al

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES – PARAMEDICS – VACCINATION ADMINISTRATION

Authorizing a paramedic to administer certain immunizations and skin testing to certain ambulance service personnel under certain circumstances; authorizing a paramedic to administer influenza and 2019CoV immunizations if the immunizations are under the direction of a certain physician and authorized by the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems, part of a certain outreach effort, and provided in accordance with a certain written agreement; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL – VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

## SB 82 Senator Augustine

Chapter 800

STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR AUDIOLOGISTS, HEARING AID DISPENSERS, AND SPEECH–LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS – MARYLAND MUSIC THERAPISTS ACT

Renaming the State Board of Examiners for Audiologists, Hearing Aid Dispensers, and Speech–Language Pathologists to be the State Board of Examiners for Audiologists, Hearing Aid Dispensers, Speech–Language Pathologists, and Music Therapists; requiring that two licensed music therapists with at least 5 years' paid work experience be added to the Board; requiring the Board to adopt a code of ethics for the practice of music therapy; authorizing the Board to facilitate the statewide dissemination of music therapy information to music therapists; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

# SB 96

## Senator McCray

Chapter 801

PUBLIC HEALTH – BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS AND HEALTH CARE FACILITIES – SAFETY AND COMMUNITY RELATIONS PLANS

Requiring that the regulations adopted by the Behavioral Health Administration governing the licensure of behavioral health programs include a requirement that a certain program establish and implement a safety plan for the safety of the individuals in the program before being issued a license; requiring a behavioral health program to submit a certain community relations plan; providing that a facility may satisfy certain requirements by implementing a safety plan established for another purpose, including an emergency plan; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

SB 298

**Senator Reilly** 

Chapter 802

STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY – PHARMACY CLOSURE – NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS (THE DENNIS ROBIN ACT)

Requiring an owner of a pharmacy to provide certain notice of the closing of the pharmacy at least 14 days prior to the anticipated closing of the pharmacy; requiring the notice to indicate the date of the anticipated closing, the name of the pharmacy to which customer prescriptions and records will transferred, and that a customer may request that their prescriptions and records be sent to another pharmacy; and requiring the State Board of Pharmacy to adopt certain regulations.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

SB 401

**Senator Carter** 

Chapter 803

 $\begin{array}{l} LANDLORD-TENANT-NONRENEWAL\ OF\ LEASE-NOTICE\\ REQUIREMENTS \end{array}$ 

Altering the period of time prior to the expiration of a tenancy that a landlord is required to notify a tenant, in writing, of the intent to terminate a tenancy upon expiration, under certain circumstances and subject to certain conditions; applying the notice provisions statewide; and applying the Act to any residential lease executed in the State on or after October 1, 2021, and, beginning October 1, 2021, to any residential lease executed before October 1, 2021, that has expired and resulted in a certain tenancy on or after October 1, 2021. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

SB 556

**Senator Young** 

Chapter 804

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING – MARYLAND SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF – APPLICATION AND SEPARATE BARGAINING UNIT

Applying certain provisions of law that relate to collective bargaining for State employees to certain employees of the Maryland School for the Deaf; establishing a separate collective bargaining unit for certain faculty at the Maryland School for the Deaf; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

## SB 563 Senator Griffith

Chapter 805

## LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS - FUNDING

Specifying the amount of funding required to be included in the State budget for local health services for certain fiscal years; altering the purposes for which local health department funding may be used to include protective equipment for certain health care personnel and materials appropriate to prepare for potential communicable disease emergencies; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to conduct a certain evaluation by December 1, 2021; requiring the Department to submit a certain report by December 15, 2021; etc. EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

## HB 514 Delegate B. Barnes

Chapter 806

MARYLAND LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION FUNDING – ABANDONED PROPERTY

Increasing, from \$2,000,000 to \$8,000,000, the amount that the State Comptroller is required to distribute of certain abandoned property funds each year to the Maryland Legal Services Corporation Fund. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

#### SB 413 Senator Guzzone

Chapter 807

MARYLAND LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION FUNDING – ABANDONED PROPERTY

Increasing, from \$2,000,000 to \$8,000,000, the amount that the State Comptroller is required to distribute of certain abandoned property funds each year to the Maryland Legal Services Corporation Fund. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

Pursuant to Article XIV, Section 1 of the Maryland Constitution, the following constitutional amendments have been assigned a chapter number:

## SB 55 Senator Sydnor

Chapter 808

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT – ELIGIBILITY TO SERVE AS SENATORS AND DELEGATES – PLACE OF ABODE

Proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to establish that, beginning on January 1, 2024, a person is eligible to serve as a Senator or Delegate if the person has maintained a primary place of abode for 6 months preceding the date of the election in the district that the person has been chosen to represent; and submitting the amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection.

CONTINGENT

## SB 669 Senator Waldstreicher

Chapter 809

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CIVIL JURY TRIALS

Increasing the amount in controversy in civil proceedings in which the right to a jury trial may be limited by legislation from more than \$15,000 to more than \$25,000; and submitting the amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection. CONTINGENT

Sincerely,

Victoria L. Gruber Executive Director